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Hussein doubts Sadat's ability to complete M.E. peace process

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LONDON, April 4 — King Hussein declared Wednesday that he had serious doubts about President Anwar Sadat's ability to complete the process he has begun with Israel and said the Arab Muslim people of Egypt were no less patriotic or less determined on the particular subject of Jerusalem than the other Arab and Muslim peoples.

In an exclusive interview with "Arab News" and "Asharq Al-Awsat", the Jordanian monarch emphatically added: "We will not forsake one inch of land, one grain of soil. We live once and die once."

King Hussein, here on a private visit, added that what had taken place between Egypt and Israel had come as a great surprise to Arabs and revealed that he had tried to dissuade the Egyptian leader from going ahead with his plans.

"We all seek an honorable, just and lasting peace — a peace that restores the land to its owners, evicts the occupation forces and frees Jerusalem," he said, adding that no single Arab leader had the right to undertake unilateral action over the common cause.

The king feared that the peace agreement had achieved Israel's age-old ambition of isolating Egypt from the other Arab countries, weakening the Arab nation and prolonging indefinitely the occupation of Arab territories.

Relations between Jordan and the U.S. were passing through a very delicate phase, the king said. He added that the last contact between the two sides was the communication carried to Amman by National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski after President Carter's mission to Cairo and Jerusalem last month. King Hussein is tentatively scheduled to pay an official visit to the U.S. in mid-May.

The king noted that the tight U.S. commitments and promises of huge military and economic aid to Israel following the signing of the treaty with Egypt would weaken the ability of the Washington administration to exercise meaningful pressure on Israel in future.

He said his government rejected any step designed to give Israeli occupation any form of legality and appealed to the people of the occupied territories to rally their ranks and resist, promising that his country would do everything that is humanly possible to strengthen their steadfastness.

Following are the questions and answers:

Q: How do you view the Arab situation at the moment and what are your reasons for opposing the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty?

A: I have always been a soldier in the service of our Arab nation and have always been faithful to its long march. What has taken place so far has given us great pain because it contradicts logic and the principles which have always guided us as one nation facing danger. We are not in a position to accept a peace treaty that leaves our duties and obligations to our Arab people and to our defenseless.

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King Hussein

that which restores to the people of Palestine their legitimate rights, leads to the evacuation of the occupation forces from all the Arab lands and restores Arab sovereignty over Jerusalem. No single leader has the right to act unilaterally on this subject.

We were working to achieve this goal when the so-called Egyptian initiative was introduced. He (President Sadat) chose this road and we hoped that he would adhere to his announced goals of overall settlement, the return of the land and the restoration of the rights. But we were surprised with the Camp David agreements and the subsequent treaty.

We have always realized that Israel's aim is to swallow up the Arab lands, including Jerusalem, and to isolate Egypt and remove it from the battle. It now appears to me that Israel has succeeded.

It is now imperative that we face up to the challenge and build our own power, fully appreciating the danger facing the Arab identity. We must then speak the language of peace, but a peace that is acceptable to all. The last Arab summit conference in Baghdad and other meetings give us the impression that we are on the right path.

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Zulfikar Ali Bhutto hanged; world leaders voice regret

ISLAMABAD, April 4 (R) — Former Pakistani Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was hanged early Wednesday and within hours was buried in secret in his family graveyard.

The hanging and burial were carried out with sharp military precision by the government of President Zia-ul-Haq, who led the coup which overthrew Bhutto in 1977.

Bhutto, 51, was taken to the gallows in Rawalpindi's century-old district prison at the unusually early hour of 2 a.m. Most executions are carried out just before dawn.

But the early hour was chosen so his body could be flown hundreds of miles south and buried safely near his farm in Sind Province before most people could learn what had happened.

After 12 months in the death cell where he was sent after conviction on charges of ordering the murder of an opponent, Bhutto was reduced to a virtual skeleton.

His final disappearance from the political scene could bring problems for the country's military rulers.

Bhutto supporters predicted a storm of protest if the execution was carried out, a view shared by Bhutto himself.

In a "last testament" written in his death cell months ago, Bhutto said, "if I am assassinated on the gallows... there will be turmoil and turbulence, conflict and conflagration."

There was stunned initial reaction as the news spread quickly throughout Pakistan. Some cars were stoned in Lahore, but the country appeared generally calm.

Diplomats said it was likely to take some time before anti-government demonstrations could be organized by Bhutto followers in Sind, Karachi, Lahore and the northwest.

Newspapers brought out special editions to describe Bhutto's last hours.

They said he was given a bath, allowed to shave several weeks' growth of grey beard and then told to sign his will.

He was led to the gallows with his hands bound, escorted by prison officials, a senior army officer and a magistrate.

The execution was carried out by Tara Masih, the government's main hangman. He was paid 25 rupees (about \$2.50).

Bhutto was buried near his Sind house at Naudero, at 10.30 a.m. at a small funeral attended by two uncles and some local officials. The official Pakistan Radio announced the execution 30 minutes later.

Bhutto's wife, Nurat, and daughter Benazir could not attend because they are under house arrest at a police compound outside Rawalpindi.

Bhutto ruled Pakistan, first as president then as premier, for five years before being overthrown on July 5, 1977. He succeeded Gen. Yahya Khan, under whom Pakistan lost the 1971 war with India, and then introduced a wide range of socialist reforms.

His fiery left-wing speeches won him a huge following among the masses.

Bhutto was educated at British and American universities and his adoption of Western manners caused concern among conservative politicians.

The army coup which deposed him came amid street violence which followed allegations that his Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) had rigged general elections that year.

After the coup, Bhutto was tried for complicity in a plot to murder a minor political opponent, Ahmad Raza Kasuri. That allegation led to his death Wednesday. (See story page 3)

Reaction

Bhutto's eldest son said in London that his father had died a martyr and a heavy price would be exacted for his death.

His face stained with tears, Mir Bhutto, 24, said "whoever is responsible for this murder is going to pay a very heavy price for it."

Shock and sorrow marked the rest of the world's reaction, with reminders that many leaders had pleaded for his life.

Former Indian Premier Indira Gandhi, who signed a peace with Bhutto after their 1971 war, said, "I am shocked to learn of Mr. Bhutto's execution. The president of Pakistan has acted in defiance of world opinion."

In London, Prime Minister James Callaghan's office said he made the last of three appeals for Bhutto's life only Tuesday and he deeply regretted that the death penalty was invoked.

French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing expressed his "deep emotion" at a cabinet meeting, his spokesman said.

He had sent a telegram to Zia Tuesday night saying: "again I appeal to your humanity so that a gesture of mercy might spare the life of a man who incarnated Pakistan at a dramatic hour of its history."

Robert Badinter, a French lawyer who helped Bhutto's trial defense, described the execution as "a real political murder."

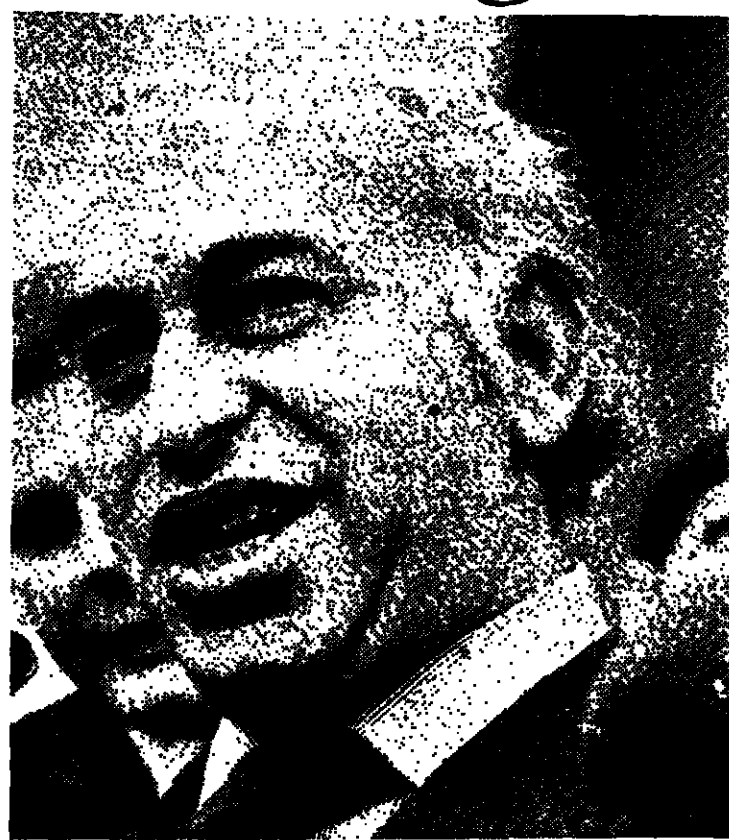
The Dutch government, which appealed to Zia to spare Bhutto on humanitarian grounds, "deplores that, despite everything, the death sentence... was carried out."

Belgium's King Baudouin was unhappy. A palace spokesman said in Brussels: "right up to the end the king had hoped the condemned man would not be executed."

The International Commission of Jurists in Geneva expressed shock and regret, recalling it had appealed last February to Zia for clemency for humanitarian reasons and because of suspicion that Bhutto's trial in Lahore was not conducted fairly.

Turkish Premier Bulent Ecevit expressed his sorrow, and Suleiman Demirel, leader of Turkey's main opposition Justice Party, said the execution was not a matter of the internal affairs of a country, but concerned the whole of humanity.

There was no immediate reaction from the White House but the State Department said it expected to have a statement later.



Zulfikar Ali Bhutto

Brezhnev lauds republic in Iran

MOSCOW, April 4 (Agencies) — Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev sent a telegram Tuesday to Ayatollah Khomeini expressing his "heartfelt congratulations" on the vote to establish Iran as an Islamic republic.

"The Soviet Union views the results of the national referendum, that concluded the final liquidation of the monarchic regime, as a big historic victory of the Iranian people," Brezhnev's note said.

"The establishment of the republican system undoubtedly opens a new stage in the life of your country," the Soviet leader said in a telegram whose text was carried by the official Tass news agency.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to confirm that the Soviet Union's policy in respect of Iran is a policy of sincere friendship and good neighborliness. It is a policy of striving to develop and expand all-round relations between our two countries on principles of equality, mutual respect of sovereignty and non-interference in each other's internal affairs," Brezhnev said.

PCC, OAEPC set meeting on Egypt

DAMASCUS, April 4 (Agencies) — The 55-member Palestine Central Council (PCC) is to meet Saturday to discuss the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty as members of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAEPC) scheduled a Monday meeting on the same topic.

The PCC is to meet here to discuss the "repercussions" of the treaty, it was announced Tuesday night.

The decision to hold the PCC meeting was reached at the end of a two-day meeting in Damascus of the executive committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization, presided over by chairman Yasser Arafat.

The PCC will also discuss the resolutions passed by Arab foreign and economy ministers to

Prime Minister Alexei Kosygin also sent a congratulatory message to Iranian Premier Mehdi Bazar-gan, Tass said.

Egypt has also announced its recognition of the Islamic republic of Iran. The official Middle East News Agency said Tuesday that Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil sent a congratulatory message recognizing the new regime in Iran.

Meanwhile Iran's northeastern city of Gonbad-e-Qabus, site of more than a week of bloody fighting between Turkoman tribesmen and militiamen loyal to the government, remained calm Wednesday morning and under army control.

News reports from the area said army units entered the city of 60,000 on Monday night and Tuesday following fighting that left as many as 400 people killed, according to unofficial estimates.

Religious elders in the area said a prisoner exchange between the warring factions could be arranged later Wednesday.

boycott Egypt adopted in Baghdad last week.

The Emergency OAEPC meeting will discuss Iraq's proposals to suspend Egypt's membership in the organization, a spokesman said Wednesday.

Iraq said Tuesday its proposals would tie in with the political, diplomatic and economic sanctions invoked during last week's Baghdad conference.

The spokesman said OAEPC secretary-general Ali Attia had communicated the Iraqi proposal to the 10 member states of the organization.

OAEPC, set up in 1968, comprises Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Syria, Algeria, Libya, Iraq and Egypt.

Egypt to supply oil to Israel

Sadat pondering treaty referendum

CAIRO, April 4 (Agencies) — President Anwar Sadat said Wednesday that Mideast peace moves had gained "new momentum" and his cabinet weighed calling a referendum to show Egypt's critics that its people back the treaty.

Sadat said the new momentum was a result of Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's Cairo visit, during which the two leaders resolved to meet again in the Sinai Desert May 27.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian cabinet scheduled a meeting at which it would discuss whether to organize a referendum on the peace treaty, reliable sources said.

Sadat made his brief remarks to reporters after meeting with Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil, Vice President Hosni Mubarak and parliament speaker Suif Abu

Taleb to plot a strategy for the cabinet meeting and a parliamentary debate Thursday on the treaty.

Without mentioning a referendum, Khalil told reporters the leaders discussed "democratic procedures" with the aim of giving "more freedom of expression to the people."

In Tel Aviv, Israel will start receiving oil from Egypt a day after handing over wells in Sinai which it must evacuate under the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty, Begin said Wednesday.

The Israeli leader was reporting to parliament on his two-day visit to Cairo which ended Tuesday.

The Sinai oilfields on the shores of the Gulf of Suez are due to be handed to Egypt by June 26.

Israeli energy officials have said

Egypt is committed to supply Israel indefinitely with oil equivalent to the amount the wells are yielding at the time of the evacuation.

The Neptune Oil Co., the American concessionary working for Israel, has stepped up drilling even though it must hand over the operation after Israel leaves, Israeli sources said.

Israeli officials have said that by the time of the handover the Sinai fields should be producing a quarter of Israel's needs.

Begin said Israel uses between eight and nine million tons of oil per year.

He said the oil which the Jewish state used to obtain from Iran has been gradually replaced from other sources which he did not name.

Nothing that the United States has undertaken to guarantee Israel's oil supplies for 15 years if asked, Begin said.

"I thank the U.S. for this guarantee but have told them we will do everything to avoid taking it up...since the U.S. itself has an energy crisis."

Egypt's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Boutros Ghali said Wednesday that Egypt and Israel will exchange instruments of ratification of their peace treaty in the Sinai and not in Cairo and Jerusalem as announced earlier.

Ghali said it had been agreed that the exchange of the treaty documents would take place, probably next week, at the no man's land separating Egyptian and Israeli forces in Sinai.

Begin told reporters in Cairo Tuesday that Ghali would go to Israel next week with a copy of the treaty and Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan would then bring the Israeli copy to Cairo.

The Egyptian president was quoted by a West German magazine Tuesday as saying no Muslim would ever accept Israeli sovereignty over the old city of Jerusalem.

Speaking in an interview with the illustrated weekly "Stern", Sadat brushed aside differences of interpretation with Israel on the

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Finance minister meets Ecevit

ANKARA, April 4 — Turkish Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit Wednesday held talks with Saudi Finance Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail in what is expected to mark the first step in a major program of Saudi assistance to struggling Turkey.

During the meeting, attended by the Turkish finance minister, the two officials discussed future joint ventures in Turkey with Saudi finance.

Sheikh Muhammad, who arrived here Tuesday for a four-day visit, earlier held a meeting with Hekmat Cetin, deputy prime minister for economic affairs.

Children drown in Jeddah ditch

JEDDAH, April 4 — Three children, aged from seven to nine, fell and drowned in a pothole filled with water near the Kaaki Building in Sharafia on their way home from school Monday, "Al-Bilad" reported Wednesday.

Jeddah fish market goes ahead

JEDDAH, April 4 — Jeddah Municipality has started land reclamation for the new fish market downtown, "Al-Medina" reported Wednesday.

Ministry asks for Saudi tenders

JEDDAH, April 4 — The ministry of Labor and Social Affairs has invited bids from Saudi contractors to carry out eight major projects across the Kingdom, including student hostels, training workshops and industrial complexes, "Al-Medina" reported Wednesday. Vocational training centers will be set up in Jeddah, Riyadh, Dammam, Najran, Ihsa, Qasim, Abha, Taif and Bisha, on 84,000 square meters each.

Jeddah gets 720 telex lines

JEDDAH, April 4 — A total of 720 lines have been added to the Jeddah telex network in the past few days, bringing the number of subscribers here to 2,316, the PTT Ministry told Al-Medina. By the end of this five year plan, there will be 2,916 lines.

Kingdom to sit on standards unit

RIYADH, April 4 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia has been elected member of the board of the International Standards Organization, it was reported Wednesday.



POLICE DEAL: Interior Minister Prince Nalf signing the contract Tuesday for a nearly SR500 million Riyadh headquarters for the Arab Police Institute.

By 80 per cent

Campaign said to curb accident toll

JEDDAH, April 4 — Spot demands for driving documents on Jeddah streets this year have reduced accidents by a full 80 per cent, according to a source at the Traffic Department quoted by "Al-Medina" Wednesday.

The campaign against illegal and under-age drivers and motor-cyclists began shortly

before the new year with mobile Traffic Department squad cars and check-points.

The department official said that last Monday alone, 40 motorists were arrested. More than 60 motorbikes and cars were impounded, he said.

Meanwhile, it was announced in Riyadh that 33 traffic officers would leave for the United States this month to undergo advanced training.

General Traffic Director Col. Muhammad ibn Rajai Al-Harbi told "Al-Jazirah" newspaper Wednesday that a further 24 Traffic Department officers would receive one month's training in the United Kingdom and the United States.

Thirty more traffic officers are doing training in Jordan under three separate programs and at the Public Administration Institute.

Arab police to meet

RIYADH, April 4 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia is to take part in the seventh conference of Arab Police Commanders due to begin a four-day session in Doha Saturday.

Director of Public Security Gen. Fayer Al-awfi will lead the delegation, which will be composed of Maj. Gen. Yahya Al-

Moallimi, assistant director general, Maj. Gen. Kamal Serajuddin, assistant director general for civil defense, Maj. Gen. Saleh Al-Ohaidib, liaison director for the crime squad, Col. Muhammad Rejaa Al-Harbi, traffic director, and Capt. Adib Idriss, assistant director general of public relations for military affairs.

The conference will discuss the unification of police regulations as well as matters connected with port and airport police, border matters and crimes of violence.

U.K. commission team leaves for tour of Abha

JEDDAH, April 4 — The British delegation to the meetings this week in Jeddah and Riyadh of the Saudi-British Joint Commission left here Wednesday to visit Abha.

Earlier in the day the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce gave a lunch in honor of the British team at the Kandara Palace Hotel, attended by Deputy Foreign Minister for Economic and Cultural Affairs Sheikh Abdullah Alireza leading the Saudi side at the talks, and Sir John Wilton, the British ambassador.

The British delegation has also had organized a visit to Yanbu. It is believed the first time represen-

SR451m project slated to link Jeddah, Mecca in single grid

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, April 4 — Moves toward a unified power transmission network in Saudi Arabia will receive impetus with the completion of a major project to link Jeddah, Mecca and Taif in the same system.

By completion in 1981-1982, the system will provide a single-voltage grid for the Jeddah and Mecca districts as a step toward a national grid — a project approved by the Council of Ministers seven years ago, but held up because of the large numbers of small private companies operating under different voltages.

In the Eastern Province, Aramco is managing the consolidation of nearly 40 companies into the Saudi Consolidated Electricity Company (SCECO) into a single system.

In the West, the Chairman of the Taif-Mecca and Jeddah power firms, Sheikh Ali Juffali, recently signed contracts totalling SR451 million to provide power at 110 volts to Mecca, Taif, Yanbu and Jizan and villages along the transmission routes.

Finance has been provided by the Saudi Industrial Development Fund, according to company officials.

The contracts, awarded to four foreign companies, cover the laying of 380-volt and 110-volt transmission lines and construction of switching substations.

Under the plans, the company's

generating stations and power units at the desalination plants will provide 2,400 megawatts of power. A computer at a load dispatch center in Jeddah will monitor the transmission of power through two double-circuit transmission lines one of 380 volts — the largest in the Kingdom — and the other of 110 volts. The capacity of the first line is 2,400 megawatts and the second 400 megawatts.

At a sub-station near Mecca, the 380-volt current will be stepped down to 110 volts for Mecca use while spur overhead cables are planned to carry power to Jizan, Yanbu and Taif.

Villages through which the transmission lines pass will also be supplied from substations.

Under the contracts, the 380-volt system is expected to be completed in 30 months and the 110-volt network in 22.

Majid slots home 5 goals, as Kingdom routs Qataris

JEDDAH, April 4 — Saudi international center forward Majid Abdullah Wednesday presided over a massive 7-0 massacre of the Qatar national soccer team at the Gulf Games soccer tournament, in Baghdad.

The victory, which keeps Saudi Arabia's unbeaten record intact, bodes well for matches against favored Iraq and Kuwait later this week. After a disappointing 1-1 draw with Bahrain last Monday, the Saudi side has apparently found form with Ahmad Sagor in midfield coordinating well with the forwards.

Nasr's Majid, who scored the crucial goal Monday in an otherwise uninspiring game, slotted in five goals against a spreadeagled Qatar defense. Issa Hamdan of Itihad and Ahli's Abdullah Abdurabbu rounded off the rout.



Jazairi to sign Taiwan accord

TAIPEI, April 4 — Saudi Health Minister Dr. Hussein Al-Jazairi will sign an agreement on health cooperation with the state health system in Taiwan, Chinese officials told the Central News Agency Wednesday.

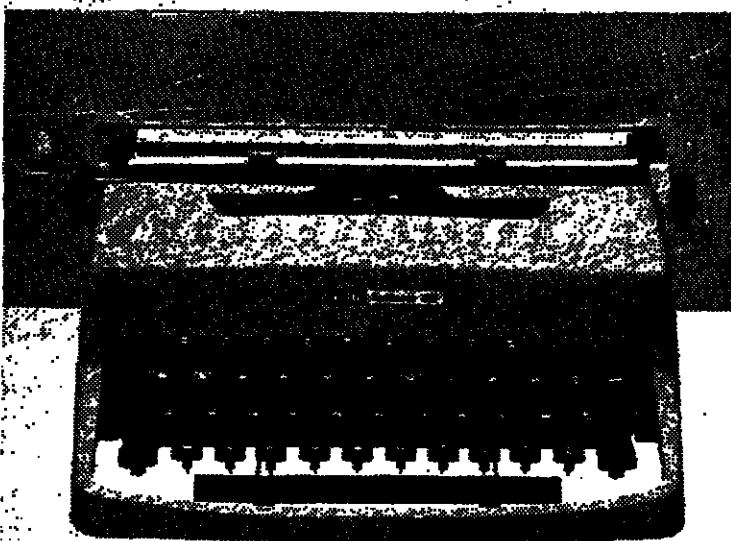
The agreement will follow the minister's talks at the Taiwan National Health Administration Monday and visits this week to the Taiwan University Hospital and the Veterans' General Hospital, which is to send a medical team to Saudi Arabia.

Dr. Jazairi, who arrived here Monday, had talks with Foreign Minister Y.S. Tsang Tuesday and is set to meet Premier Y.S. Sun and NHA Director General W.C. Mao before departure Saturday.



NAVAL: Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen, Mecca deputy governor, Tuesday receiving the Dutch ambassador and officers of two Dutch warships, HMS Trompsand HMS Poolster, which put in at Jeddah Port Monday for a three-day official visit.

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NATO must aid ailing Turkey, Gen. Haig says

BRUSSELS, April 4 (AP) — Gen. Alexander Haig, supreme allied commander Europe has called upon NATO alliance to provide most urgent help to Turkey and enlarge their concern beyond the geographical limits of NATO.

Haig was writing the Brussels daily "Le Soir" on Wednesday morning.

He said "only the prompt and generous intervention of the alliance can provide the extraordinary effort of multinational assistance needed to rescue Turkey from economic wreckage."

"A second and more vast challenge threatening the Western countries rests in the need to concern themselves with the relationship between events happening outside NATO's geographic limits and the security of the alliance itself."

"During the past year, the West has observed the following events: In Afghanistan, South Yemen and Ethiopia states have emerged with allegiance to the Soviet Union."

In Aden and Ethiopia of Soviet naval and air bases have been developed.

Cambodia has been invaded by Vietnamese forces supported by the Soviets and North Yemen by South Yemen Forces, also supported by the Soviets.

"It is not enough to mention the failed Soviet experiences in Egypt and India to conclude that the Soviet presence based only on arm supplies has no chance of becoming permanent or that mere economic requirements will guarantee a continuing constructive Western influence."

"We in the West cannot allow ourselves to continue closing our eyes to the consequences, even in the short term, of our apathy towards the hazardous and illegal Soviet actions in the Third World."

In his article, Haig gave priority to dangers to NATO's south-east flank danger.

"A series of difficulties with deep roots remains in this crucial sector."

Greece, a faithful ally, remains outside the integrated military structure.

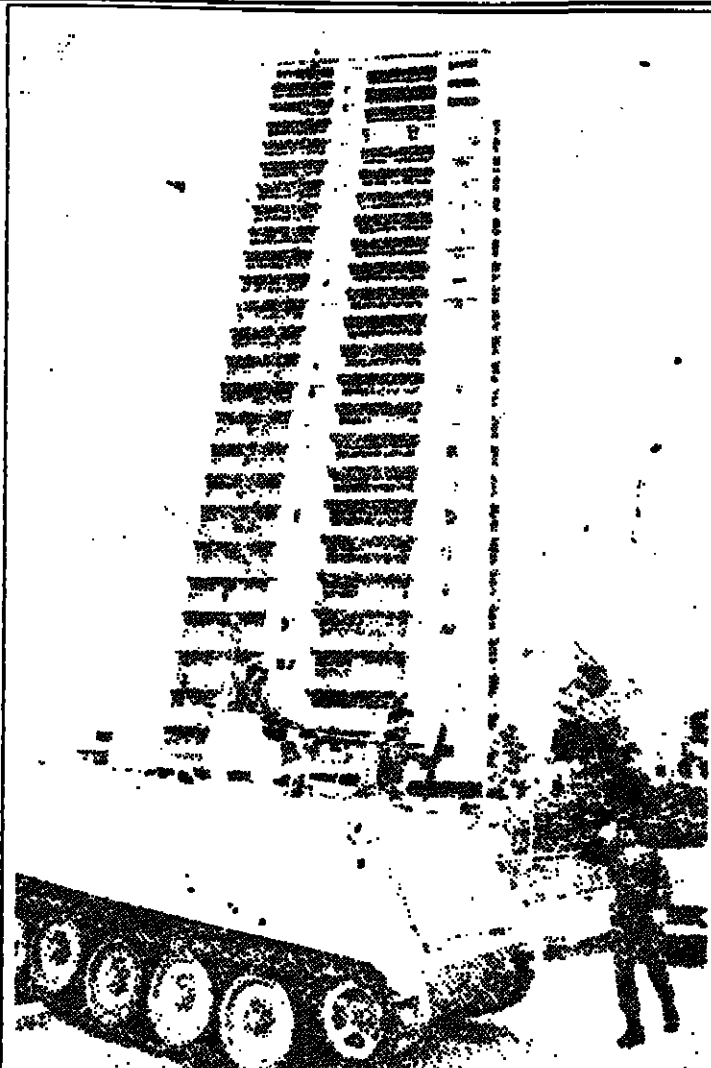
"Number of touchy political questions remain pending between Greece and Turkey."

Furthermore, the Turkish economic crisis has further aggravated, threatening of dangerous consequences for the Western world if no remedy is applied.

"The (Turkish) inflation rate is more than 60 per cent. The country is faced with unemployment reaching 20 per cent of its active population, 50 per cent of industrial capacity remains idle, the country's external debt is \$12 billion. Turkey will also have to face in the coming months a problem of short term liquidities of more than \$500 million."

In spite of the highest level discussions at the Guadeloupe summit, at NATO and at the OECD, there is no tangible evidence of any progress incoming to the rescue of this faithful and vital ally of NATO.

The article was published on the day NATO commemorates its 30th anniversary.



BEIRUT: A Lebanese soldier salutes as he walks past a Lebanese Army Armored personnel carrier at a position by the Risk Tower in East Beirut. The Lebanese Army recently took over the post, vacated by departing Saudi troops. (AP photo).

Cyprus talks discussed by Waldheim, Rolandis

GENEVA, April 4 (Agencies) — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim Wednesday met Cypriot Foreign Minister Nicos Rolandis to consider ways of resuming a dialogue between the island's Greek and Turkish communities.

A spokesman for Waldheim, who is on four-day visit to the

U.N. office here, said the talks lasted an hour.

He would pursue his consultations on the question.

Aides of Waldheim and Rolandis later discussed a proposed formula for bringing the Greek and Turkish-Cypriot negotiations together again.

It was the first time Rolandis had met Waldheim since a U.N. plan for inter-communal talks was announced in December.

"In December, Waldheim made a real and sincere effort to find a breakthrough, but he failed because of complete Turkish intransigence and we felt another opportunity to try again should not be lost," Rolandis said in an interview before leaving here.

He said Cyprus would not "rush into" a summit, however. "Unless the Turks change their position, a summit between the two sides is probably the best practical development. But the consequences are delicate. What if the summit fails — where do you go from there?"

Frankfurt bomb bound for Israel, police say

FRANKFURT, April 4 (Agencies) — A package that exploded in the mail terminal of Rhein-Main International Airport was on its way to Israel, officials disclosed Wednesday.

The state attorney's office said the package, which exploded Tuesday morning injuring 10 Lufthansa employees, was one of seven parcels being prepared for shipment by air to Israel.

The packets were either destroyed or heavily damaged by the blast.

Officials hoped to learn more about the incident after examining the remains of the package later Wednesday.

One man had an arm blown off in the explosion and he and another were described as critically ill in a hospital.

Hans Piesker, an official

Longest murder trial in Pakistan Legal doubts linger over the Bhutto case

ISLAMABAD, April 4 (R) — Former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto is dead, but the doubts both over the manner of his dying and whether he was even guilty of the offense remain not only among his supporters but also among others in Pakistan.

It was an ambush of a car containing a minor political opponent of Bhutto's one midnight in October 1974 that led Bhutto to the gallows.

In the longest murder trial in Pakistan's history, starting 17 months ago, Bhutto's lawyers contested most of the evidence linking him to a conspiracy to assassinate Ahmad Kasuri.

Kasuri escaped, but his father died in the ambush. Four members of the now-disbanded Federal Security Force were sentenced to death with Bhutto, but their cases are still being reviewed.

First the Lahore High Court and then the Supreme Court found that Kasuri's attacks on the former premier in parliament were enough to explain Bhutto's hatred and his order for a vendetta.

Yet the case left behind two big question marks.

If his lawyers had argued strongly for commuting the death sentence during the appeal rather than going all out for acquittal

would his life have been spared? One of the Supreme Court judges remarked that he had never heard of a case where the defense did not present arguments about the sentence at the same time as it challenged the conviction.

By the time the defense began arguing that Bhutto's death sentence should be commuted it was too late. The court found it was out of its hands and left it to the executive to decide.

The judges said only that there were relevant grounds for consideration of the exercise of the prerogative of mercy.

The grounds apparently included the fact that Bhutto was not the scene of the crime and that the wrong man was killed. But the observation could also have referred to political reasons.

Judge Saffar Shah declared that the observation was tantamount to a recommendation for clemency that could not be ignored, but the court dissociated itself from his remarks.

The other question is if the defense had cut short its arguments during the appeal rather than letting them drag on for eight long months, would Bhutto have been acquitted? One of the supreme court judges retired during the case.

"It was embarrassing at times the way one of the judges indicated his support for acquitting Bhutto," said a lawyer who followed the case closely.

"The defense knew the judge was going to retire but in spite of prompting from the bench it ignored the fact and went rambling on."

Kremlin reasserts U.S. interfering in Afghanistan

MOSCOW, April 4 (AP) — The Soviet Union has "true and carefully checked facts" that the United States is interfering in Afghanistan, a prominent Soviet television commentator said Tuesday night.

Valentin Zorin's commentary came in response to State Department protest that the Soviet media was spreading "slandorous and baseless" allegations about Carter administration support for armed rebel groups fighting against Afghanistan's Marxist government.

"The Soviet journalists based their reports on true and carefully checked facts," Zorin said. "I think here we get the answer to who relies on facts and who prefers to ignore them."

Washington and Moscow have been exchanging barbs about the fighting in Afghanistan in recent days. U.S. officials say the Soviet Union has intensified its arms buildup in Afghanistan to help fend off the rebel tribesmen, and the Carter administration has specifically warned the Kremlin to stay out of fighting there.

In a weekend Soviet television political program, Leonid Zamyatin, head of the Department of International Information of the Communist Party's Central Committee, charged that Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher met Pakistani officials during a recent visit in order to arrange arms supplies to the rebels.

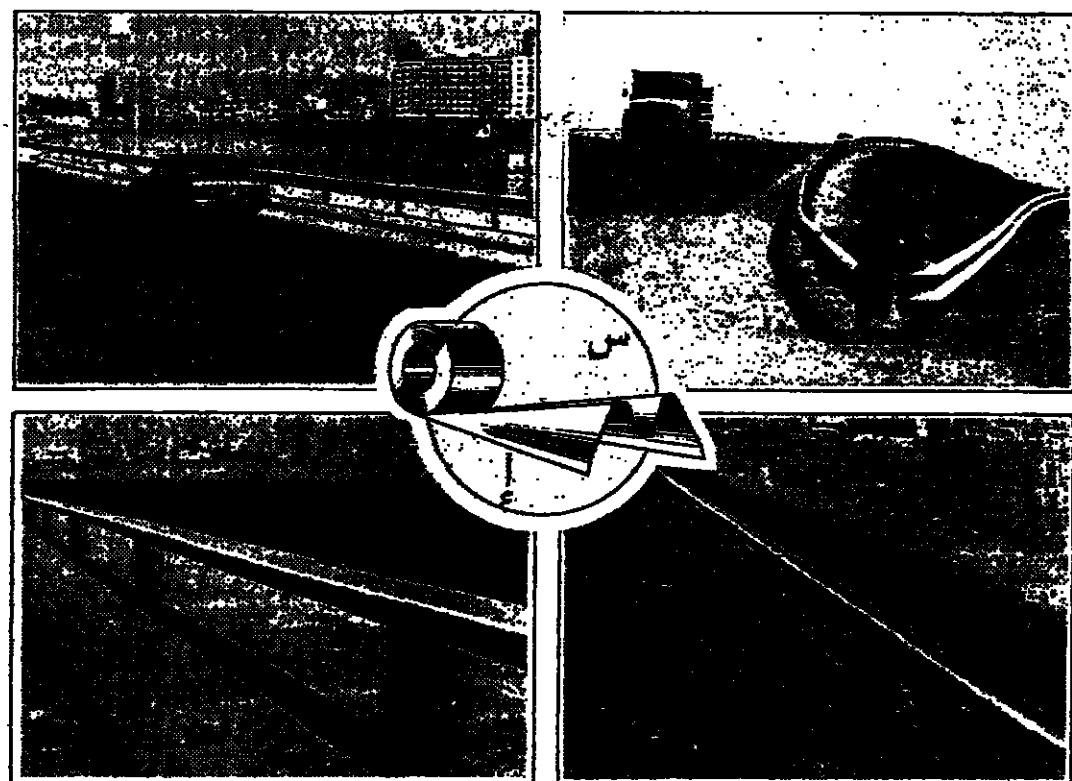
The State Department, in its protest, denounced the Zamyatin accusation, saying they were "false statements" by a high Soviet official impugning an American official.

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CAIRO: Egyptian Defense Minister Kamal Hassan Ali, left, leads American and Egyptian personnel from an American C-130 aircraft recently at El Paso, Texas, on his way to examine American arms Egypt might buy at Fort Bliss. (AP photo).

In republic referendum

Tehran announces 99.3% yes vote

TEHRAN, April 4 (AP) — The Iranian government Wednesday announced official results in the nation's two-day referendum, showing 99.3 per cent support for its transformation into an Islamic republic, replacing the 2,500-year-old monarchy.

Election director Ahmad Nourbakhsh said 20,147,055 people voted for an Islamic

republic and 140,966 against it, the official Pars news agency reported. Before the referendum, the government had estimated the total electorate at 18.7 million people.

Ayatollah Khomeini announced victory in the referendum on Sunday.

The official figures showed 97.1 per cent support for the Islamic republic in Tehran, where

2,033,201 votes were recorded. In the predominately Kurdish city of Sanandaj, where Kurdish rebels fought government troops last month, the vote in favor of the republic was given as 98.9 per cent.

Leaders of some dissident ethnic groups had urged their followers to boycott the referendum, but the degree response to that call could not be confirmed.

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Second woman mayor in office

Chicago voters sweep Mrs. Byrne to power

CHICAGO, April 4 (Agencies) — Democrat Jane Byrne captured the Chicago mayoralty Tuesday and captivated its citizenry in doing so — winning a record percentage of the vote in being elected the city's first woman mayor.

"It has been a great night for Chicago," she told more than 1,500 ecstatic supporters in a victory speech.

Mrs. Byrne, 44, won by a landslide, surpassing the mark of more than 77 per cent set in 1975 by her mentor — the late Richard Daley who was elected mayor six times.

With 96 per cent of the vote in, Mrs. Byrne had 671,189 votes, or 82.1 per cent, over Republican Wallace Johnson's 131,261. Socialist Workers Party candidate Andrew Pulley received 14,996 votes.

A dejected Johnson, 52, recalled the feelings of 1952 presidential candidate Adlai Stevenson — "It hurts too much to laugh and I'm too old to cry."

Mrs. Byrne's aides said she was surprised by the size of her majority, which should give her tremendous leverage in pushing reforms through a city council still dominated by "Democratic machine" regulars who supported Mayor Michael Bilandic in the primary.

In a short speech Tuesday night, she said she was tired and looking forward to a holiday and then getting down to work "to get this

great city moving again." She said one of her first priorities would be to revitalize Chicago's rundown black and ethnic neighborhoods. She received heavy support from black voters who make up 40 per cent of Chicago's three million population.

Mrs. Byrne said Tuesday night she would avoid confrontations and try to work with the powerful Democratic machine, which in the days of the Primary campaign she promised to destroy.

In recent weeks she has softened her attacks on the Democrat

hierarchy which mayor Daley built into the most powerful big city political organization in the United States.

Her runaway victory ensures she will return in triumph to City Hall. She was dismissed from the city administration by Mayor

Bilandic in November 1977 after 10 years as commissioner of consumer affairs.

Johnson Tuesday predicted he would win by at least 25,000 votes, but conceded defeat two hours after counting began when a flood of returns showed Mrs. Byrne polling a 4-1 margin.

Fine weather brought a steady stream of voters to the polling stations in the first few hours. Election officials had predicted a 52 per cent turnout among the 1.4 million voters.

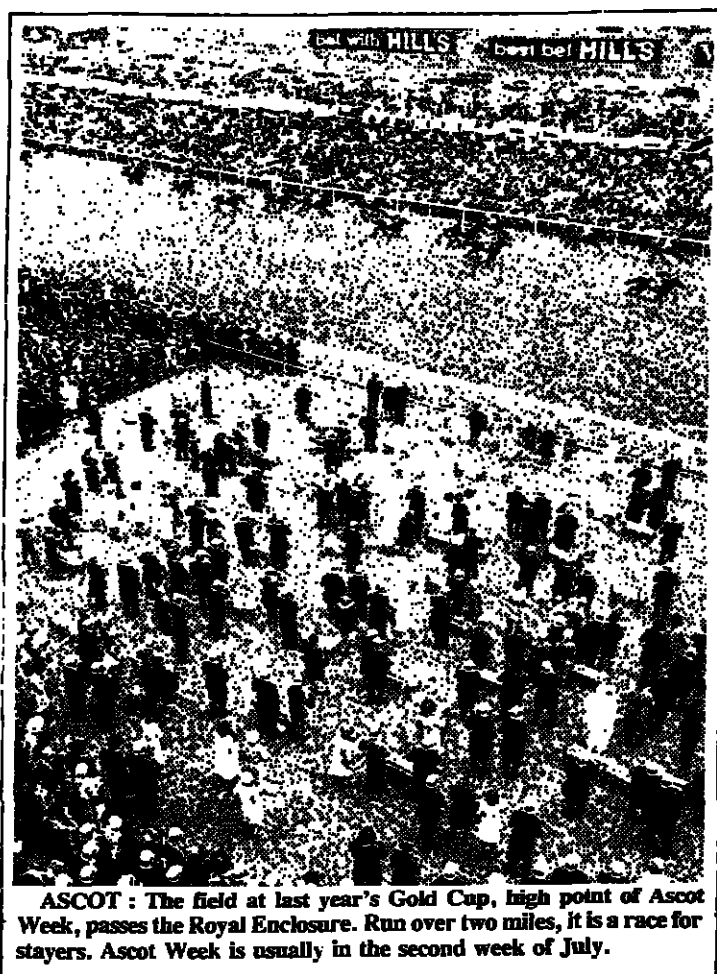
Mrs. Byrne had been cautious about predicting victory, mindful that she caused a big upset by winning the Democratic primary five weeks ago against Mayor Bilandic.

Mrs. Byrne's victory maintains an unbroken Democratic rule in the United States' second largest city since 1931.

She is the second woman to become mayor of a major U.S. city. In San Francisco last December Feinstein replaced George Moscone, who was shot dead in his office by a disgruntled city official, Dan White.

In a California election in San Mateo County, Republican real estate developer Bill Royer won a runoff election Wednesday to fill the term of Congressman Leo Ryan, slain last year in the Guyana Airport ambush that set off the Peoples Temple bloodbath.

With 544 of 588 precincts reporting, Royer had 49,143 votes to 34,574 for Democrat Joe Holsinger, who was once Ryan's chief assistant. Royer, a millionaire, has two decades of experience in local politics. He made his fortune as a real estate agent, but campaigned on his political experience — six years on the San Mateo County board of supervisors and 16 years as a Redwood City councilman.



ASCOT: The field at last year's Gold Cup, high point of Ascot Week, passes the Royal Enclosure. Run over two miles, it is a race for stayers. Ascot Week is usually in the second week of July.

Guerrillas clash near Muzorewa vote rally

RUSAPE, Rhodesia, April 4 (AP) — A major guerrilla action Tuesday prevented journalists from covering a campaign rally by Bishop Abel Muzorewa held in a farming area which he had claimed was controlled by his auxiliary forces.

Military authorities in this farming town, about 80 miles southeast of the capital, said a clash between a group of guerrillas and black auxiliaries, supported by Security Forces, made it impossible to approach the site of the rally in the Makoni Tribal Trust Land.

Muzorewa, who flew into the rally, later said some 2,000 people had turned out. The candidate, who is widely tipped to be the nation's first black prime minister, appeared puzzled that reporters had not attended the meeting.

But, a military spokesman said "the situation has changed in the past 48 hours," and that guerrillas were now active in the area.

"You are perfectly welcome to go," the spokesman told reporters, "but I have to warn you that every vehicle that has gone down that road has either been land-mined or ambushed."

The contact had "fizzled out" and the auxiliaries and regular security forces had lost the guerrillas' trail, he said.

Auxiliaries are forces made up of former guerrillas who have returned to Rhodesia, and black volunteers. Most are loyal to one of two major political parties, Muzorewa's United African National Council (UANC) or Ndabaningi Sithole's Zimbabwe African National Union (ZANU).

S. Africa clubs to allow blacks limited access

CAPE TOWN, April 4 (R) — Blacks are being allowed into 68 "whites only" sports clubs in South Africa, as long as they don't want to dance.

Justice Minister James Kruger told parliament the clubs had been granted international status, allowing them to serve refreshments and food to all races, but that the licenses banned dancing when non-whites were present.

Vorster refuses clemency to doomed black guerrilla

PRETORIA, April 4 (R) — South African President John Vorster has rejected a plea to spare the life of a black guerrilla, convicted of murder, the Department of Prisons said Tuesday.

Solomon Mahlangu, 23, will be hanged on Friday for his part in the 1977 Goch Street killings in Johannesburg. He was found guilty on nine charges, including the murder of two whites.

At the trial, the court was told that Mahlangu left school early, joined the banned African National Congress (ANC), and left South Africa for military training after the 1976 students' revolt swept through black townships.

Ten months later, the court heard, he slipped back into the country from Swaziland with two other youths, carrying arms, ammunition and explosives.

The group was challenged by police while passing through central Johannesburg and a running gun fight ensued during which two white men were shot dead.

The defense case hinged on the fact that Mahlangu did not fire the fatal shots.

His companion, Mondli Morlough, who was said to have killed the men with his machine pistol, was found unfit to stand trial because of brain injuries received while being overpowered.

Various pressure groups abroad have petitioned their governments to stop the execution.

France, Britain and Belgium have, through their missions here, asked for clemency.

'Superficial' says opposition leader

S. Africa slush fund report criticized

JOHANNESBURG, April 4 (AP) — The leader of South Africa's political opposition criticized as "superficial" Tuesday a government report that implicates President John Vorster in a multi-million dollar information scandal.

The commission investigated allegations involving clandestine projects designed to blunt criticism of South Africa's white government and racial segregation policies.

Among other things, the report said South Africa spent \$10 million trying to buy the "Washington Star" newspaper. The money was transferred to a Swiss bank in 1974 "to enable the former Department of Information to purchase the 'Washington Star' in the United States," the report said.

Opposition leader Colin Eglin termed the report "superficial" and "unconvincing."

He said the three-member commission, headed by Justice Rudolph Erasmus, was given an inadequate amount of time to investigate whether cabinet members knew about the use of secret government funds for the international propaganda campaign.

The commission handed its report to parliament for debate on Monday. It cleared Prime Minister Pieter Botha and his cabinet of any knowledge that funds were being channeled into secret projects.

The commission also exonerated Finance Minister Owen Horwood, who it said had been kept in the dark about the use of the funds by Connie Mulder, the minister of the now defunct

Information Department, and Eschel Rhoodie, former information secretary.

The commission found that Vorster, prime minister at the time, informed his cabinet of the secret dealings only after he was approached by four ministers last September. He resigned his position for health reasons three days later and took up the largely ceremonial post of president.

John Malcomess, speaking for the New Republic Party during the debate, said the commission's report was a finding of "not proven," rather than not guilty.

He said the prime minister

should have explained to the commission why the \$10 million was funneled through the special defense account to the Swiss bank.

The report said efforts to buy the paper failed, and the commission was still investigating whether all the money had been returned to South Africa.

The report made no mention of U.S. publisher John McGoff of East Lansing, Michigan. The "Rand Daily Mail" reported in November that McGoff had tried to buy the "Star" with secret funds, but McGoff had denied the allegation.

Arrested while pasting poster

Peking demonstrators dragged away

PEKING, April 4 (R) — At least one and possibly four political activists were arrested by police Wednesday as they pasted up a poster on Peking's "Democracy Wall" on the eve of the third anniversary of the Tiananmen riots.

Witnesses said plainclothes policemen dragged away four members of the Human Rights Alliance, an activist group formed Jan. 1.

They included Ren Wanding (Jen Wan-ring), 35, vice-chairman of the alliance.

Some witness reports said all four were taken to a nearby police station. Others said only Ren was being held.

The group was detained as it pasted up the eighth page of a long

poster criticizing an article which appeared in the "Peking Daily" on March 22 and which had called human rights "a bourgeois slogan."

Last weekend the city authorities banned the publication of any criticism of Communism in a move to suppress campaigns for human rights and democracy.

Another prominent activist was arrested last week and charged with a counter-revolutionary.

Witnesses said hundreds of people were at the wall in Tiananmen Square when the incident occurred.

They reported jostling between the crowd and police.

A few minutes after the activists were hustled away six policemen returned and ripped down the poster.

Its authors, who emphasized that they were communists, wrote that in Marxism-Leninism there was no absolute condemnation of

Group Areas Act gets test case in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, April 4 (R) — A 32-year-old Indian has appeared in court here charged with living illegally in a whites-only district in the first of 70 test cases of people charged under South Africa's Group Areas Act.

Ahmed Maziv Adam told the court Tuesday that he had to live with his wife and baby in a white area of Johannesburg because they could find no where else to live. He said he would like nothing better than to live in an Indian area among his own people.

The cases of the other people charged with the same offence were postponed to April 11. They were brought to court following a crackdown by the authorities on Indians and colored (mixed race) people living in areas not designed for them under South Africa's apartheid regulations.



SOPHIA: Perhaps Italy's most famous woman, Sophia Loren just finished her autobiography.

U.N. panel urges study of arms in South Africa

UNITED NATIONS, April 4 (AP) — The U.N. Security Council's Committee on the Arms Embargo against South Africa was urged Tuesday to take an inventory of "military equipment and licenses in the possession" of that country.

Nigerian Ambassador Leslie Harriman, chairman of the U.N. Special Committee against South African Apartheid said the council committee should demand information from countries known to have supplied the equipment.

He listed them as Britain, the United States, France, Belgium, Canada, West Germany, Israel,

Italy, Portugal and Switzerland. All have said they are now complying with the embargo.

The embargo resolution on the council's books calls for an end to the supply of weapons, ammunition, military equipment and spare parts to South Africa. It calls for a review rather than abrupt termination of licenses to South Africa for the manufacture of arms.

The council set up its committee on Dec. 9, 1977, to study ways of enforcing the arms embargo resolution it had adopted the previous Nov. 4 after a South African crackdown on dissidents.

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Leftist advances snub Suarez in Spanish vote

MADRID, April 4 (AP) — Leftist parties spearheaded by the Socialists captured nearly half of Spain's provinces and dominated the big cities Wednesday, handing a sharp rebuff to Centrist Premier Adolfo Suarez in the country's first municipal elections in 48 years.

ernment reportedly with only members of his Union of the Democratic Center party.

In Madrid, Socialist Enrique Tierno Gauvan tied with Suarez' candidate, former Mayor Jose Luis Alvarez, with 25 council seats. But Communists won nine council votes, enough, according to a pre-election agreement, to put the 60-year-old professor, a frequent target of police during the Franco dictatorship, into city hall.

But also in Madrid gunmen shot dead a policeman Wednesday as counting neared completion.

Police sources said Angel Lieta Alfaro, 52, was shot in the head by two men as he left his house. He was the 32nd victim of terrorist violence in Spain this year.

No one claimed responsibility for the attack but the sources said it looked like the work of the far-left group GRAPO.

Grapo (October First Anti-Fascist Resistance Groups) has claimed responsibility for killing seven people this year, including an army general and Supreme Court judge in Madrid.

During the night, riot police in central Madrid baton-charged leftists who were celebrating Socialist and Communist gains in the elections.

No injuries were reported. Since Gen. Franco's death in 1975, Spaniards have voted four times during the country's transition to democracy.

Officials Tuesday night predicted an abstention rate of up to 40 per cent in the vote, indicating a certain apathy after a lack-luster campaign.

Approves \$ 123.9b budget

Panel cuts Carter's military plan by \$ 2b

WASHINGTON, April 4 (AP) — The House of Representatives Budget Committee has voted to cut more than \$ 2 billion from President Jimmy Carter's request for military spending for the next fiscal year.

The committee, opening its working session on a tentative congressional budget for fiscal 1980, Tuesday approved \$ 123.9 billion in defense spending, a figure below the 3 per cent commitment among NATO nations for increased defense spending in real terms.

Carter had requested \$ 126 billion for military programs to put the government in line with the NATO commitment. The committee's figure amounts to a 2.3 per cent increase in military spending after the effects of inflation are deducted.

The main item trimmed from the Carter's request was a \$ 1.8

billion conventional aircraft carrier.

Carter has proposed a budget of \$ 532.3 billion for the fiscal year

Woolworths heiress ill with pneumonia

LOS ANGELES, April 4 (R) — Woolworth Heiress Barbara Hutton, 66, is recovering from pneumonia in the Cedars-Sinai hospital here.

She was admitted nine days ago and is reported to be making very good progress.

Friends of the seven-times married Miss Hutton, who has been in poor health most of her life, said she had been on a strenuous diet, consisting mainly of soft drinks, before entering the hospital and had lost a lot of weight.

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Depends on election results

Britons may get tax reduction

LONDON, April 4 (R) — British taxpayers got a glimmer of hope earlier this week that this year's tax bite would be reduced, but it was likely to remain only a glimmer.

In his 15th budget, presented Tuesday, Chancellor of the Exchequer Denis Healey called for a nine per cent income tax cut for the average Briton, to become effective August 1.

But the budget will probably only stand until the May 3 general elections, and a new government would be expected to bring in its own revenue and spending plan, which could well eliminate the tax break.

In the meantime, the budget

proposed by Healey will keep the country's financial machinery oiled through the elections.

The budget also forecast what Britons can look forward to during the rest of this year, including increasing inflation.

Healey told the Commons that the national total wage rise in the current pay round would be

around 13 per cent. Because of excessive pay settlements, he said, inflation in 1979 would be higher than forecast last autumn.

On the international front, Healey said although the world economy grew almost four per cent in 1978 this was insufficient to reduce unemployment,

Led astray by the Gang of Four Peking paper castigates youth

PEKING, April 4 (R) — A Peking newspaper has complained that some of the capital's young people were turning to thieving and hooliganism while others sought "a bourgeois style of living."

The newspaper, the "Peking Daily," said the city faced an

upsurge in crime and urged the authorities to do more to keep youngsters occupied.

Some young people in Peking were "too choosy about their work," ignored state interests and flouted discipline.

"Some seek a bourgeois style of living and others go in for

hooliganism, theft, fighting and other activities disruptive to social order. These must be given strict attention."

The "Peking Daily" blamed the trend on former Defense Minister Lin Biao (Lin Piao) and the Gang of Four extremist leaders, who it said had confused the thinking of young people.

Some of the young regarded anarchy as democracy and discipline as a deprivation of freedom, it said.

The article was seen as part of an official campaign against the liberalization of recent months. It coincided with reports reaching the capital of social unrest in provincial centers, which may have helped to prompt the clampdown on free speech, human rights and democracy movements.

Diplomats arriving in Peking from provincial trips brought news of disturbances in Shanghai, Canton and Wuhan where there had been street demonstrations and a rise in crime, including a bank robbery in Shanghai. Two people were killed trying to catch the Shanghai robber.

They also said there had been a riot in a Canton railway station with participants taking over trains and stoning police.

The Canton disturbance seemed to be a repeat of the occupation of Shanghai's main station in February by young people home on holiday and reluctant to go back to their jobs on farms.

After abducting woman

Hijacker shot in Sydney

SYDNEY, April 4 (AP) — A would-be hijacker shot by police after he held a woman at knifepoint aboard a Pan AM jumbo jet died Wednesday night while undergoing surgery.

Police said Dimiclas Speranza, 34, who was shot at Sydney International Airport, died at the Royal Prince Henry Hospital without regaining consciousness.

Speranza was shot in the forehead and shoulder as he tried to set off a drink can full of gunpowder after a four-hour airport siege.

He was an Italian immigrant carpenter who demanded to be flown to Italy for meetings with Pope John Paul and Communist leader Enrico Berlinguer, and then on to Moscow.

The incident began when the man grabbed a young New Zealand woman from the check-in counter in the departure lounge.

With a knife held to her throat,

he forced the screaming woman through the customs and immigration area and aboard an empty 747 jet which had arrived shortly before from Los Angeles.

All crew and passengers had left the plane.

Special police and anti-hijack squads quickly surrounded the plane and senior police officers appealed to the man to release his hostage.

Two hours later she set free, and walked unaided to a first aid station where she was treated for minor lacerations of the throat.

The man then produced a tin can with a wick protruding from it and said it was a bomb.

Detectives were negotiating with the man in the cabin when he ducked behind a seat and tried to light the fuse on one of the bombs.

One of the detectives then fired two shots. Police said the decision to shoot the man was taken after an attempt to flush him out of the plane with high pressure failed,

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China backtracking

By Linda Mathews

HONG KONG—

Chinese authorities have to crack down on the flourishing pro-Western democracy movement and to curtail informal contacts between foreigners and ordinary Chinese.

According to travellers from the mainland, nearly all wall posters have disappeared from Shanghai in recent weeks and at least one wall poster has been whitewashed in Peking. A March 6 Shanghai police directive cited by diplomatic sources said posters could be mounted only in specially-designated areas and could stay up no longer than a week. Angry dissidents immediately tacked up another poster denouncing the police order as "suppression of democracy."

The movement's demands for human rights have also come in for stinging criticism in several Chinese newspapers, though the attacks have not yet been picked up by the authoritative "People's Daily," the propaganda organ of the Communist Party.

In a front page commentary, a newspaper controlled by the Peking municipal government, the "Peking Daily," recently ridiculed the call for human rights as "a slogan of the bourgeoisie and not of the proletariat." The same article also voiced criticism of capitalism and of the United States of a kind that has not been heard since before the United States and China normalized relations last December.

The press attacks on the United States may have been prompted by repeated wall poster demands for President Carter's help in exposing China's human rights problems. Such posters have been consistently ripped down by security police and ordinary passersby, a sign that they are probably regarded as an affront to Chinese pride.

The "Peking Daily," in apparent response to these posters, depicted the United States as a class-ridden society where "the rich enjoy privileges" but "the laboring people have absolutely no human rights." China, by contrast, is a land of the people that offers its citizens protections "which capitalism can never give them," the commentary said.

The same themes were sounded last week in the "Worker's Daily," the journal of the trade union movement. Human rights are already respected in China, the newspaper said, so there is no need to learn from the United States, whose "history...is soaked with the sweat and blood of the working masses."

The fact that the attacks have been confined to local and limited-circulation publications may mean that they are not fully endorsed by the Communist Party's central authorities, such as Vice Premier Deng Xiaoping, the "hero" of the movement. It is also possible, of course, that the top rulers have sanctioned a general crackdown but decided to let municipal officials handle it as if it were strictly a local problem.

Foreign residents of Peking say they have been told by Chinese of growing impatience with the wall posters within the top leadership, through the "People's Daily." In its most recent pronouncements on "socialist democracy," defended the constitutional right of the people to pin up posters.

For the past two weeks, Peking has been awash in unconfirmed rumors that Deng himself believes the poster campaign has gone too far and become a disruptive influence that must at least be toned down. In a report that was supposedly delivered to the politburo March 16 — but has never been mentioned officially — Deng supposedly said that some youths had misunderstood greater democracy and needed to be disciplined.

Deng reportedly defined democracy as "the right to make suggestions" to advance China's modernization, and charged that some poster writers had taken advantage of the freer atmosphere in Peking to libel China's leaders, both living and dead. "They have gone too far," Deng is supposed to have said.

Another problem Deng emphasized in his report was the growing contacts between Chinese citizens and Peking's foreign residents, sources said. He expressed doubts about the propriety of allowing young Chinese women to fraternize with foreign men at the dances that have been held weekly in Peking since December. Deng also said those who danced with foreigners and "sold them state secrets" ought to be arrested if sufficient evidence could be found against them.

Deng's proposals for curtailing friendships between Chinese and foreigners, which have developed only in the past six months, have been echoed in the press. The "Peking Daily" complained that "certain people are doing things worthy of criminals under the cover of entertainment" such as public dances. These "rejects from society" are "harming the country's interests," the newspaper charged.

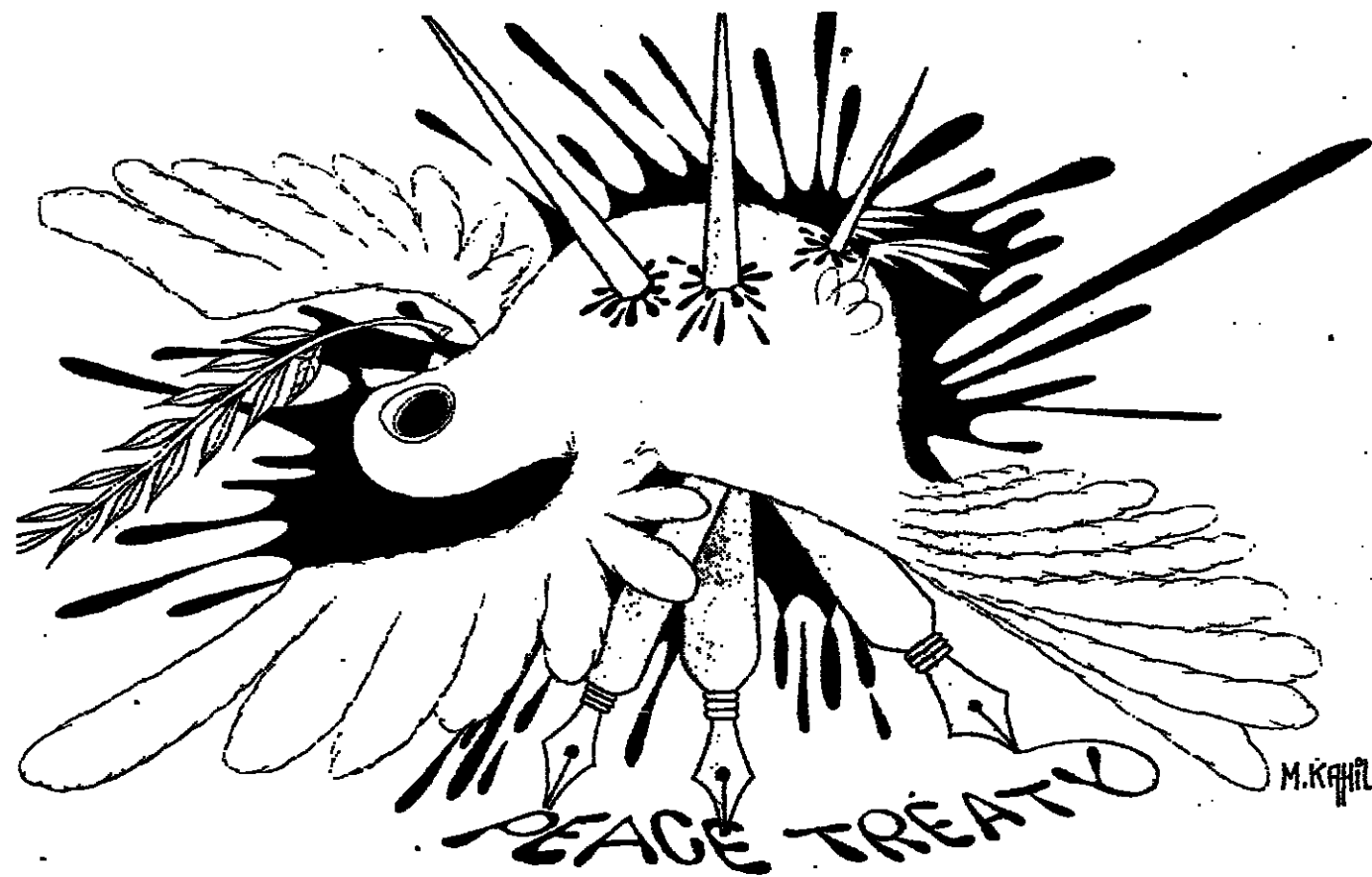
The charge that China's state secrets had been betrayed initially confused analysts. But it now appears it may refer to recent press reports, filed by Peking based Western correspondents, that included Chinese casualty figures and other inside information about the invasion of Vietnam that was obtained from Chinese sources.

Although no official ban has been imposed on consorting with foreigners, the rumors of Deng's remarks and the "Peking Daily" commentary have already taken their toll. Several dozen Chinese dancing with diplomats and foreign students at the international club dance recently were asked to leave by Chinese officials. And at a similar affair a few days later no Chinese appeared at all.

The crackdown on wall posters has been less successful, perhaps because it was more subtle, Peking residents report. Posters have been washed off walls along Shanghai's waterfront and on Peking's busiest shopping thoroughfare, Wangfujing Street, but still flourish in other places, including the famous "Democracy Wall" on the capital's Avenue of the Eternal Peace.

The authorities may be taking a cautious approach toward the wall posters out of fear that any drastic steps, such as tearing down Democracy Wall, might trigger serious demonstrations on the same scale as the riot in Tiananmen Square three years ago.

Instead of using physical force, officials seem to be placing their faith in the power of persuasion, the "Peking Daily," for example, urged "certain young comrades" who "begged the support of imperialistic powers" in the campaign for human rights simply to acknowledge that they had "made a very serious mistake." (LAT)



Bhutto : His rise and fall

RAWALPINDI—

With a combination of oratory and shrewd politics, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto dominated the life of Pakistan through most of the 1970s and became one of the most prominent leaders of the Third World.

He took over the government at the end of 1971 and later was credited with restoring national self-respect to Pakistan, a country humiliated and partitioned in the Bangladesh war and unhappy with 13 years of military rule.

But barely a half dozen years later he was ousted by a military coup, imprisoned, branded an autocrat and a murderer and accused of bringing Pakistan to the brink of civil war.

Even after his fall from power and his imprisonment, Bhutto retained a strong, emotional hold on the poor of Pakistan, with the result that the Muslim group of 75 million remained tensely divided between his supporters and his critics.

The turning point in Bhutto's fortunes came in 1977. The California- and Oxford-educated leader started the year at the peak of his power, after a spectacular 20-year climb to the top. He finished the year out of office and in prison.

The first week of 1977, as prime minister, Bhutto dissolved the national assembly and called elections for March 7. His Pakistan Peoples Party was expected to win a comfortable majority.

But Bhutto's insistence on an overwhelming victory came to be regarded as the fatal mistake of a chain of missteps that finally spelled disaster for the prime minister.

The election results giving Bhutto's party 80 per cent of the assembly seats, including some in opposition strongholds, triggered charges of vote-rigging and four months of rioting between the Peoples Party adherents and their critics that cost at least 300 lives and \$500 million in lost production.

Bhutto finally agreed to new elections, a concession he vowed never to make. But mutual mistrust with the opposition was so strong by then that the two sides were unable to agree on the ground rules. The army on July 7, 1977, overthrew Bhutto in a bloodless coup and arrested him, ushering in Pakistan's third period of military rule in 30 years of independence.

Gen. Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq whom Bhutto had appointed as army chief, vowed that this would be a new and benign brand of martial law. Zia promised free elections in three months and invited Bhutto to run.

But in the meantime, Bhutto's opponents came forward with charges that he restored to terror, torture, detention and murder against his foes, and had misused government funds for party and personal purpose. The anti-Bhutto forces persuaded Zia to postpone elections and investigate the charges in what became known as Pakistan's search for "accountability."

Most serious of the cases against Bhutto stemmed from a police report based on charges by a co-founder of his own party, Ahmad Reza Kasuri. It charged that Bhutto ordered the political police, the Federal Security Force, to stage an ambush in Lahore aimed at killing Kasuri. Kasuri, who had been accusing Bhutto of provoking the 1971 conflict with East Pakistan (later Bangladesh), survived the attack but his father, riding in the same car, was slain.

The case lay dormant while Bhutto was prime minister but after his ouster it went to trial. The Lahore High Court on March 18, 1978, convicted Bhutto and four security officers of murder-conspiracy. After a record-long hearing, the Pakistan Supreme Court on Feb. 6, 1979, confirmed Bhutto's conviction and sentence to hang in a split decision.

At the last stage of the Supreme court hearings, Bhutto was allowed an unprecedented personal appearance before the justices. He renewed accusations of political persecution, and maintained that the "future of Pakistan is at stake" in his case.

Clemency appeals poured in from nearly all major countries, including the United States, and from some prominent Pakistanis. One of these, Mubashir Hassan, Bhutto's first finance minister, predicted a dangerous polarization of rich and poor if Bhutto were executed.

Hassan described Bhutto as "the last man in Pakistan who tried to effect a reconciliation between the haves and have-nots. If he is executed, it will snap the link between them," he said.

As a member of a land-owning, aristocratic family, Bhutto belonged to the "haves." His success as a politician stemmed from an ability to talk to and identify with the interests of the "have-nots," in a country of vast poverty.

Bhutto's father, the late Shah Nawaz Khan Bhutto, owned thousands of acres of land in Larkana, North of Karachi, in what later became Pakistan, and houses in Bombay, where he was a minister of the Bombay government of what then was British India.

Bhutto was born Jan. 5, 1928, in Larkana. His mother, Lady Khurshid Bhutto, installed within him sympathy for the poor, he later recalled. He attended early school in Bombay and joined the Pakistani movement for a Muslim homeland.

When he was 13 Bhutto married a relative 10 years his senior, in accordance with the prevailing local custom to keep landholdings within the family. It was a custom later described by Bhutto as absurd.

She remained at the family homes in Larkana and Karachi during Bhutto's early political career and his second marriage was to the former Nurat Isphani, a member of the Iranian nobility, whom he met a decade later and married in 1953.

Nurat Bhutto is the mother of Bhutto's four grown children, daughters Benazir and Senan and sons Murtaza and Shah Nawaz. She was acting head of the Peoples Party during his imprisonment.

Bhutto studied at the University of Southern California from 1947 and transferred in 1949 to the University of California at Berkeley, where he absorbed American-style politics. He graduated with honors in political science in 1950. His last year at Berkeley he helped in the unsuccessful congressional campaign of Democrat Helen Gahagan Douglas against Richard Nixon.

Christ Church College in Oxford, England, awarded Bhutto a Master of Arts degree with distinction in jurisprudence in 1952 and the same year he became a member of the bar in London.

After returning to Pakistan he practiced law before the Sind High Court and taught constitutional law at Karachi.

The military rulers of the day noticed the bright and articulate Bhutto, and in 1957 put him on Pakistan's United Nations delegation. In 1958 at the age of 30, Bhutto became commerce minister — the youngest cabinet member in the country's history. Later he headed U.N. delegations.

Bhutto served in cabinets for eight years, becoming foreign minister in 1963, but gradually he drifted away from President Muhammad Ayub Khan's pro-American line in favor of cultivating relations with the Soviet Union, China and the Third World. In 1966 he broke with Ayub over the Tashkent Agreement ending the Kashmir war with India. Although as foreign minister he had helped negotiate the pact, he later criticized it as a sellout to the Big Powers.

Bhutto organized the Pakistan Peoples Party on Dec. 1, 1967, with the motto, "Islam is our faith, democracy is our policy, socialism is our economy." He began his rise to political power with socialist slogans and oratory.

Attempting to silence Bhutto, Ayub jailed him in November, 1966, under a martial law decree, but released him the following February.

Pakistan held its first general elections in December 1970, and the Peoples Party campaigned successfully in West Pakistan with the slogan "bread, clothing, shelter."

The party won 83 of the 138 national assembly seats in West Pakistan while the late Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's Awami League took 167 seats in the more populous East Pakistan. The latter became independent Bangladesh after a war in which India came in on the side of the East Pakistanis.

After the war, Bhutto became Pakistan's martial law administrator and president of what was left of Pakistan.

Bhutto won new popularity by restoring national self-respect after negotiating with Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi the return of Pakistani prisoners of war. (AP)

AIDING TURKEY

Finance Minister Muhammad Aba Al-Khail is in Ankara this weekend for talks with Turkish Premier Bulent Ecevit and other government officials about Saudi assistance for development projects. As we go to press, there is a widespread belief among some of those involved in the talks that Aba Al-Khail will sign an agreement on behalf of the Saudi Fund for Development providing loans of up to SR1 billion.

In the fairly rapid reordering of the global economy after 1973-1974, the Turkish economy drifted into a sea of debt. Growth rates were spurred by heavy borrowing, while little change took place in the archaic, import-oriented industrial sector. Turkey grew but did not develop, and the consequences of that policy have now come home to roost.

Turkey's total debts, most of which are owed by the government, exceed \$10 billion. The Western banks which extended much of that credit arranged loans that turned out very badly for the country, the most glaring of which involves guarantees by the Turkish-Central Bank to cover devaluation losses on loans made in Swiss francs and German marks.

Unemployment is now at 20 per cent. Inflation is at 50 per cent. The loans are coming due, the Turkish government hasn't the funds to repay them and the International Monetary Fund is seeking tough economic changes in exchange for further lines of credit.

The governments of Germany, France, Britain and the United States pledged themselves to provide emergency government assistance to Turkey at the January summit in Guadeloupe. These countries carry much weight in IMF circles — as, of course, does Saudi Arabia — and it can only be hoped that some sort of agreement is reached soon that will enable this strategically important friend of all five countries to untangle its creditors.

While Turkey's national debt has held the headlines, however, it is gratifying to see that Saudi Arabia is interested in the root of the problem as well. Growth without development is generally regarded as a formula for high inflation and debt, a cycle Turkey does not need to repeat.

Turkey is one of the few countries in the world that is agriculturally self-sufficient, and the farmers are among Turkey's few exporters. Agricultural development projects could well expand this source of foreign exchange through increased efficiency.

It is the Turkish industrial sector that needs developing most. Rahmi M. Koc, chairman of Koc Holdings, the leading conglomerate in Turkey, put forward this point recently in an interview with the "Los Angeles Times."

"The whole concept must be changed," he said. "Previously industrialization was based on the philosophy of imports. Now we have to export."

It is good news for both Turkey and Saudi Arabia that the Saudi Fund for Development is willing to help.

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Commenting on the Council of Ministers' ratification of the Baghdad conference, "Al-Medina" said the sanctions were necessary if we have to prevent Israeli infiltration of the Arab world through Egypt. Foremost among the actions to be taken will be official precautions to inhibit economic and cultural penetration as well as subversive activities in the Arab world.

The paper called for "strict adherence to the resolutions which call for boycotting any individuals and organizations which deal and cooperate with the enemy."

"These resolutions are based on the stand taken by the Arab summit in Baghdad and Crown Prince Fahd's view cautioning other leaders against the dangers involved in a separate peace treaty between Egypt and Israel. These dangers have been greatly enhanced now that Israeli leaders are visiting Egypt and the conse-

quences that would arise from increased Egyptian-Israeli contacts.

"Saudi Arabia's standpoint stems from a position that had been taken long ago by the late King Abdul Aziz taking into consideration Muslim and Arab rights and complete refusal to haggle over them or to concede anything that would militate against them. This shall always remain the principle that guides Saudi policy."

"Hence the government's ratification of the resolutions which springs from its determination to take decisive actions required by the circumstances indicating that the Arab question is the country's most important issue," the paper said.

In a letter to the Ministry of Commerce, "Al-Medina" said that a new first class hotel in town charges SR. 8 for a soft drink and SR.35 for a plate of rice. The paper wondered whether such hotels are subject to price con-

trols.

In a strong warning against pollution in Saudi cities, "Al-Medina" quoted an expert report by King Abdul Aziz University which said the level of pollution in Jeddah was serious enough to endanger human life.

"The situation is much worse around the fish market where fish is sold and cleaned." The report found out that the people must have developed an immunity against squalor or they would have seriously suffered from conditions in the area. It has been a year since the report was submitted to the municipality or the Ministry of Health, but no action has been taken and pollution continues to rise and the fish "bungalows" remain a grave health hazard.

"To make matters worse," the paper added, "the public transport corporation is reported to have ordered diesel powered buses for urban transportation. These will soon prove to be major,

source of pollution and may have to be scrapped. We already know that other countries are trying hard to replace diesel powered vehicles with electric ones. We may have to do so soon — after paying the full cost of the new buses."

"Al-Bilad" said "it is major step forward to decide to build an atomic energy center in the country. Such a step is in line with the people's aspirations to catch up with modern technological advances. We have proved during the last 50 years that we are capable of adopting modern techniques without discarding our traditions and values. We also realize that our stability and prosperity are linked to those of the rest of the world. We hope someday that Saudi scientists will have a tangible role in spreading knowledge and technology round the world."

"Al-Bilad" said the last traffic policeman in Switzerland has recently retired as there was no

need for traffic wardens in a country where people respect the rules and maintain discipline on the road. This is in sharp contrast with the situation here. We complain against traffic wardens and blame them for the chaotic conditions on our roads and streets. But in fairness to the traffic department we should blame ourselves," the paper said.

"Drivers are the worst offenders, they disregard traffic lights, speed where they should not, drive recklessly endangering our lives and those of others."

"With a little care, we should easily improve the standard of driving, save lives and trouble and have more dent-free cars."

"The position of the Kingdom at the Baghdad conference confounded the doubters who claimed that Saudi Arabia would not take a stand. The conference proved the reverse when the Kingdom played the leading role in bringing about the resolutions

and it threw its considerable weight behind the resolutions which earned the admiration and gratitude of the Arab people everywhere. This policy is a clear indication of the unity between

the government and the people in this country. This unity is a safety valve and the answer to those who threaten the Arab world because of its refusal to surrender to Zionism and imperialist monopolies.

They must realize that the Baghdad resolutions are only the beginning and there will be actions taken to stand up to the conspiracies being hatched against us," the paper added.



Born in the year of "decision," died in the year he signed. — Al-Riyadh

The flora and fauna lady of Riyadh

By Rosalind Ingrams

RIYADH — "It is the sheer unexpectedness of flowers blooming in the desert that makes them so exciting." So saying, Betty Vincett, sometimes called the Flower Lady of Riyadh, explains how she came to study the flora of Saudi Arabia. Author of the beautifully produced "Wild Flowers of Central Saudi Arabia," which was commissioned by the Ministry of Information, she is quick to point out that she is equally interested by the fauna of the Kingdom and has built up an impressive photographic collection of birds, insects, reptiles and mammals she has observed.

A visit to Mrs. Vincett in Riyadh is a revelation of what willpower and creative energy can do with a garden there. She stands on the thick green grass of her lawn and points at her vegetables (celery, lettuce, tomatoes, parsley to name only a few), her sweet-scented stocks, nasturtiums, petunias, sunflowers, and her vigorous creepers and trees, including the cotton plant and the castor oil tree. She collects, stores and labels all her seeds, and can often be seen bestowing whole embryo gardens on newcomers lamenting their bare plots.

She has just started a desert garden—a patch of sand—to see what true desert plants she can grow. Hidden in a shady corner are two of the large lizards known as "dhup," and deep under a pile of sacking live two charming desert hedgehogs. There was once a resident black scorpion too, called Sammy, who lived happily on a diet of cockroaches for four and a half years. Visitors come in a continuous stream to the Vincett household: Advice is constantly sought, and specimens and descriptions of plants, animals and fossils are brought by all and sundry.

Betty Vincett is a quiet Englishwoman who lived for 20 years in the Italian Alps at Cortina d'Ampezzo. It was in the Alps that she first developed her interest in flowers, and correspondingly in photography (she is a superb photographer) in order to record



Betty Vincett with a desert hedgehog

what she saw. It was there that she learned the fluent Italian which makes her a pillar of Italian expatriate society in Riyadh.

"My mother was a wonderful gardener, but until I discovered them for myself I knew hardly anything about flowers. It was the pure surprise of finding beautiful blooms on the harshest, craggiest peaks that sparked my interest. And the same applies here where flowers can flourish in apparently

the most inhospitable surroundings."

Arriving in Riyadh at the end of 1974 with her husband Harry Vincett, who is an expert in agronomy, she lost no time in exploring her surroundings. Every Friday the Vincetts would go into the desert, initially guided by a friend who was a keen fossil hunter. It was on a fossil-hunting trip that Betty Vincett made her remarkable discovery of the iris

meadows near Tumair, 160 km north of Riyadh. Irises growing in the Najdi desert sound like an airy dream, a traveller's tale never to be verified. But they are a glorious reality, in bloom in their thousands at the moment, sweet-scented, light blue, growing to a height of between six and fourteen inches.

"It was April," Mrs. Vincett recalls, "past the blooming season, and I suddenly noticed tangles of dying leaves—what could they be? I wondered. The leaf certainly looked like an iris leaf, yet it scarcely seemed possible."

However, she made a mental note, and ten months later returned to the spot. Her guess was amply rewarded: The valley was a mass of irises. It was the spring of 1976, a year of exceptionally heavy rainfall. The countryside around Riyadh was in abundant bloom and many of the most beautiful pictures in her book were taken at that time.

Very soon after their arrival in Riyadh, the Vincetts found like-minded friends who took a keen interest in their surroundings. They became an informal group who would meet regularly in each others' houses and listen to a talk with slides by one of their members. Dr. Buttker, the Swiss entomologist, was one of their earliest and most distinguished members.

Gradually, however, the numbers grew too great for frequent meetings in private houses, and expeditions into the desert, Desert Rambles, as they were called, were organized and led, largely by Mrs. Vincett. These were extremely popular, and she generously took all kinds of groups on them, including members of the International Women's Club and groups of school children. She also found herself much in demand as a lecturer, and she gave slide-talks to schools—including a Saudi girls' school—clubs and companies. She was writing articles, too, encouraging people in every way to go out and see for themselves the great variety of plant and animal life to be

KIOSK

A potpourri of events and activities from around the Kingdom.

JEDDAH

Thursday, April 5:

Coffee morning in aid of a school for Mentally handicapped children. At the British Ambassador's residence, 10:30 a.m. Details, telephone Maureen Scammel, 51396.

Indian Bazaar. Clothes, arts and crafts, food and games. At the Indian Embassy. From 7 p.m. onward, open admission; women only from 4—7 p.m.

French Bazaar. At the French school Annex, behind the Clubbank building. Begins at 9 a.m.

Thursday, April 5 — Friday, April 6:

Team racing between Aramco and the Red Sea Sailing Association. Racing begins at 11:45 a.m., at the RSSA clubhouse on the Creek in Obhor. Details, telephone Peter Taylor, 58742.

Saturday, April 7:

"Juniper Forest to Desert Isle: a Geologist's view of South West Arabia," a talk with slides by Dr. Richard H. Black of the U.S. Geological Survey, presented by the Saudi Arabian Natural History Society. At the USGS compound off Medina Road near Spinners Restaurant, 8 p.m.

Hejaz Choral Society meeting. At the PCS, Room 5, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 7 — Thursday, April 12:

Third Annual Jeddah Fine Arts Society exhibition. At the Jeddah Dome. Open to the general public 5—10 p.m.; women only 10 a.m.—1 p.m.

Monday, April 9 — Thursday, April 12:

"HMS Pinafore," the Gilbert and Sullivan musical, presented by the Jeddah Light Opera Society. At the British Embassy, 8 p.m. Tickets, SR25 for adults, SR15 for children.

RIYADH

Thursday, April 5 — Monday, April 9:

found in the desert.

During a visit to Italy she had some of her photographs made into postcards, chiefly to give to friends. When she came back to Riyadh with them late in 1975 they were enormously popular. It was on the strength of these pictures that she found herself united by the Ministry of Information to produce a book about the wild flowers of the region.

After a great deal of hard work, the book was ready by the summer of 1977. It has been a great success, proving an eye-opener for many to whom the desert seemed barren by definition. During the recent visit of Queen Elizabeth II to Riyadh, Betty presented a specially bound copy of her book to Her Majesty, and an Arabic version to Queen Sita.

The organized trips out of Riyadh had become too popular for Betty to handle—over 50 cars on the last one—and she now directs her stimulating influence through the medium of monthly meetings of the Desert Rambles held on the tennis court beside her house. These meetings, which

begin in September 1978, fill the same need met in Jeddah by the Saudi Arabian Natural History Society. However, the group of enthusiasts (there is no formal membership) is smaller—an average of 100 people—and the organization is informal and personal. There is an illustrated talk at each meeting, often describing interesting journeys in the Kingdom.

Since December a bulletin has been produced monthly, which in addition to articles of local interest includes invaluable maps (drawn by Carlton Clements) of how to get to places, as, for example, the iris fields. The recent creation of a sighting map will also prove a valuable addition to the sum of local knowledge. Pins indicating particular sightings, e.g. snakes, eagles, etc., can be stuck in at the appropriate place, and information will thus be steadily built up. Anyone who is interested in the natural history of Saudi Arabia is welcome to these meetings, and will be bound to feel enriched by the positive atmosphere that has been generated so largely by the energetic personality of Betty Vincett.

An art exhibit by the painter Hrair. At the Saudi Women's Club headquarters, near the Circle supermarket.

Thursday, April 5:

A musical concert featuring soloists Judith Benson and Maynard Hedegaard, accompanied by Lloyd Gonyea. At the SANG auditorium, 8 p.m.

Friday, April 6:

A "Fun Run" sponsored by the Riyadh Road Runners, covering 3 and 10 km courses. On Elaya Road, adjacent to the Avco Driving School, beginning at 7 a.m.

Sunday, April 8:

A concert by German guitarist Helmut Malo and others in a program of classical and modern music. At the Ingrams villa, 8 p.m. Details, telephone 4780348.

Monday, April 9:

Horse and camel races at the Maalaz track, 4 p.m. Admission SR10.

Wednesday, April 11:

A lecture and debate on Saudi poetry, for women only. At the Saudi Women's Club, 6:30—8:30 p.m.

DHAHRAN

Thursday, April 5 — Friday, April 6

Eastern Province League Tennis Tournament Finals. Doubles, 3 p.m. at the UPM courts. Spectators welcome.

Thursday, April 5

Tickets at SR20 on sale at Dhahran Commissary booth at 10 a.m. for Wolfgang Riedel piano concert to be given in the Dhahran Theatre, April 13 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets again on sale at 4:30 p.m. April 10 and 11.

Tuesday, April 10

International Nurses Group meeting at 6:30 p.m. open to all licensed nurses. For place, phone Aramco 45796.

Tuesday, April 10

Presentation on China at 7:30 p.m. at the Aramco Auditorium. Open to Dhahran Outing Group members only.

Indian bazaar

By Clare Kent

JEDDAH — On Thursday the Indian Embassy is having a Bazaar. The Bazaar is being held in order to raise funds for a new Indian school. The present school consists of 600 children crammed into a tiny building at the Embassy. Many more Indian children living here are unable to have places at the school.

Mrs. Bably Sharma, wife of the counsellor at the Embassy, said that a piece of land had been donated for an Indian school. The Indian Ambassador is the patron of the school, so the Embassy staff and the teachers at the school have got together to raise funds for building the new school. It is hoped that a school for 1,500 children will be built.

At her house, off Khalid ibn Walid Street, Mrs. Sharma has been busy sorting and pricing the many Indian goods that have been brought in by Air India. She said she had chosen most of the articles herself when on a recent trip home. She brought back samples with her since arranged for the rest to be sent.

The clothes are in beautiful col-

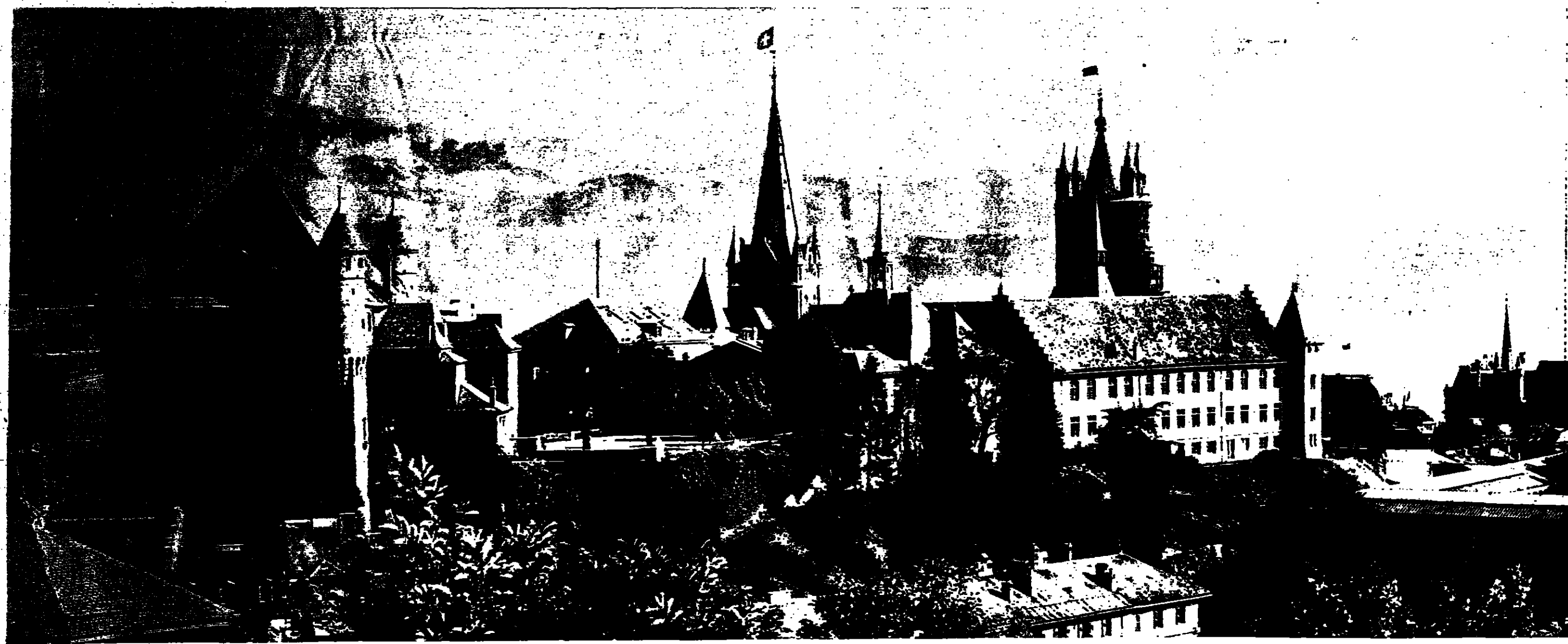
ors with interesting Indian designs, some printed, some in batik, and some embroidered. The materials are light cotton, perfect for the heat here, and there are kaftans, shirt tops, and wrap-around skirts. Saris will also be on sale. Prices for the clothes range from about SR 30 to SR 60—a very reasonable price.

Besides the clothes, there are attractive batik wall-hangings, table mats, bookends, vases and small boxes. Also some lovely traditional Indian jewelry at very good prices.

Mrs. Sharma said that all the wives had been cooking non-stop in order to produce enough Indian food to feed around 1,000 people. Two years ago at a bazaar the food was so popular it ran out long before the end. This time they are determined to have enough.

There will be games and side shows for the children and plenty for all to see and buy.

The bazaar will be on the grounds of the Embassy, which is situated on the Medina road. It is open 4-7 p.m. for women only; after 7 p.m. it is open to everyone.



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Raising Atlantic lobsters at a Pacific Ocean research farm

By Gordon Grant

SAN DIEGO — A group of California scientists has spent 10 years and about \$1 million to prove that delectable American lobsters, which are falling into short supply in nature, can be raised like cattle, but in a lot less space.

"We've satisfied all the biological factors involved," said one of the researchers, Jon C. Van Olst of San Diego State University. "We've reached the point where we're changing from biologists to businessmen."

The next step, he said, is to find an industrial partner and set up a pilot operation that eventually could lead to production of — for starters — 1 million pounds a year of one of the world's most highly regarded seafood delights.

If lobsters achieve the rapid growth rate expected under domestication, and if full-scale production could start immediately, commercially grown lobsters could be on dining tables in about two years.

Van Olst said such a lobster industry probably would not result in lower consumer costs, but would at least assure a steady supply, especially on the U.S. west coast, which now must receive all of its lobsters by airfreight from the east.

ketable size of one pound almost four times faster in water that is heated to about 72 degrees than in the cold North Atlantic.

For lobsters raised under controlled conditions, as in the "corrals" proposed by the researchers, the enormous mortality rate — only about one lobster in every 10,000 lives to market size in nature — can be reduced so that more than 60 per cent survive from egg to adult.

The domesticated lobsters, subjected to taste tests by several panels of experts, were at least as good in flavor and texture as their wild brothers. "In fact," Van Olst said, "everybody thought they were fantastic."

Such lobsters could be marketed at sizes less than a pound, a restriction placed on wild lobsters for conservation reasons.

We could even harvest one-quarter pounders," Van Olst said. "It would create a whole new type of lobster market."

As it stands today, American lobsters (Homarus Americanus), sometimes called Maine lobsters or eastern lobsters, — and almost always called delicious for their sweet meat — are reaching consumers in dwindling numbers.

Fishermen in New England simply are not finding them in the quantities they once did. Russian trawlers dragging heavy nets have

lobster can be domesticated successfully, assuring a steady supply, should spark hope in the hearts of those who seek an occasional change from meat and potatoes.

But it has taken a decade of work by the SDSU scientists and by others at the U.C. Davis Marine Lab at Bodega Bay north of San Francisco, plus help from other sources, to solve a long list of biological, engineering and economic problems.

Carlberg said that, at first, a simple transplant of American lobsters from the Atlantic to the Pacific was considered. But it soon was determined that Homarus, with his mighty claws, was too well armed and too aggressive to get along with the Pacific natives such as spiny lobsters and certain species of crabs. It was feared he would soon take over their territories and wipe them out.

So Carlberg, Van Olst and Brown began thinking in terms of creating farms or ranches on which lobsters could be raised without threatening other creatures.

They set up a lab at the base of the pier at Scripps Institution of Oceanography at nearby La Jolla, equipping it with trays and tanks and pipes and pumps to circulate ocean water. They got some egg-bearing female lobsters from a Massachusetts hatchery.

in the wild, to only about 12 months.

And they discovered that, in similarly warm water, a lobster could be grown from egg to a weight of one or two pounds in 18 months. The same growth takes from five to seven years in the chilly Atlantic.

Getting into the economics of the thing, the researchers realized that to warm up enough of the ocean and keep it at the required temperature could be so expensive the entire aquaculture project might as well go down the drain.

They found the answer to that problem at coastal power generating stations of San Diego Gas and Electric Co. in Carlsbad, and Southern California Edison Co. at Redondo Beach, where they were allowed to set up auxiliary labs.

"We used the thermal effluent from these stations," Carlberg said. "The effluent is seawater drawn into the plants as a coolant. The process heats the water up, and normally it is just piped back into the sea. But it provided us with all the warm water we needed."

The use of such effluents in aquaculture, he said, takes advantage of what otherwise would be a wasted energy source, "and it may partially compensate for any adverse ecological effects of thermal discharge."

More specifically, "Carlberg said, "it contributes to economically viable production of foodstuffs."

While all this was going on, the men were developing models of the structures in which the lobsters would be fed and raised. Refinement followed refinement, until they came up with one that resembles a closely packed apartment house several stories tall.

It is a vat-like container through which oxygenated seawater flows. Cells form structures like vertical trays, with each cell walled by mesh that allows the water to circulate.

Each tray can be lifted clear of the surface for automatic injection of food into each cell. The vats, containing scores of trays made up of hundreds of cells, are efficient in use of space and practically maintenance-free.

As with every step of the research, cost factors of a large commercial operation had to be considered when it came to work-



Jon C. Van Olst, a researcher at San Diego State University, holds a 7 1/2-pound Maine Lobster, its claws secured by rubber bands.

ing out a diet for the lobsters.

After exhaustive experiments, many of them carried on at Bodega Bay and by the research center at Foremost Foods, researchers were able to get desired growth results from a formula estimated to cost only 96 cents for each pound of lobster.

This, combined with other expenses, makes the production cost of a one-pound lobster \$2.24 if it is done with thermal effluent. A lobster raised in ambient seawater ranging from 50 to 60 degrees

in temperature would cost \$5.14 a pound, Carlberg said.

Since the current retail price of a 1-pounder is about \$5.40, the scientists believe production under warm-water conditions is economically feasible.

In addition to work on developing breed stock, controlling molting cycles (which can speed up production), checking disease, and a number of other connected projects, the biologists are experimenting with cross-breeding the American lobster with its Euro-

pean counterpart, Homarus Gammarus.

They hope the hybrids will show such desired characteristics as rapid growth, disease resistance, efficient feed conversion and not quite so much aggressiveness as the American lobster.

"An American lobster is not only aggressive," Van Olst said, "it's cannibalistic. If you give them the chance, let them be together too much, they'll literally eat up the profits."

But most important of all at the

moment, he and Carlberg said, is support from industry, possibly in the form of a partnership.

"As I said, we're changing from biologists to businessmen," Van Olst repeated. "We need help in setting up a pilot, or prototype, plant somewhere on the coast with thermal effluents available."

"Such a plant could produce 10,000 pounds of lobster a year on less than an acre of land."

"And after that we could go to a million pounds a year." — (LAT)

BOOKSHELF

By Jonathan Hunt

FRANKFURT — Frederick Forsyth has joined the ranks of the world's four top money-earning writers with an advance on his new novel reputed to be worth \$3 million.

This is the sum the British publisher Hutchinson has guaranteed for "The Devil's Alternative" — the novel Forsyth said would never be written.

He has always maintained that he was only going to write three novels — the wildly successful "Day of the Jackal," "The Odessa File" and "Dogs of War."

And a good part of the money has started coming back. Among deals concluded at the Frankfurt Book Fair last year were a British paperback rights

record of \$500,000 to Corgi — recently taken over by the giant German publishing empire of Bertelsman — well over \$2 million for the American rights and close on a third of a million pounds for the German rights.

Now all Forsyth has to do is actually write the book. He has spent the last three years researching the work, which is an international thriller set in Moscow, New York and many points between, telling of events that could lead up to a world war in 1983.

Forsyth now lives in the Republic of Ireland, where income tax concessions to authors will allow him to keep most of the money. A complex agreement has been drawn up with Hutchinson. (OFNS)

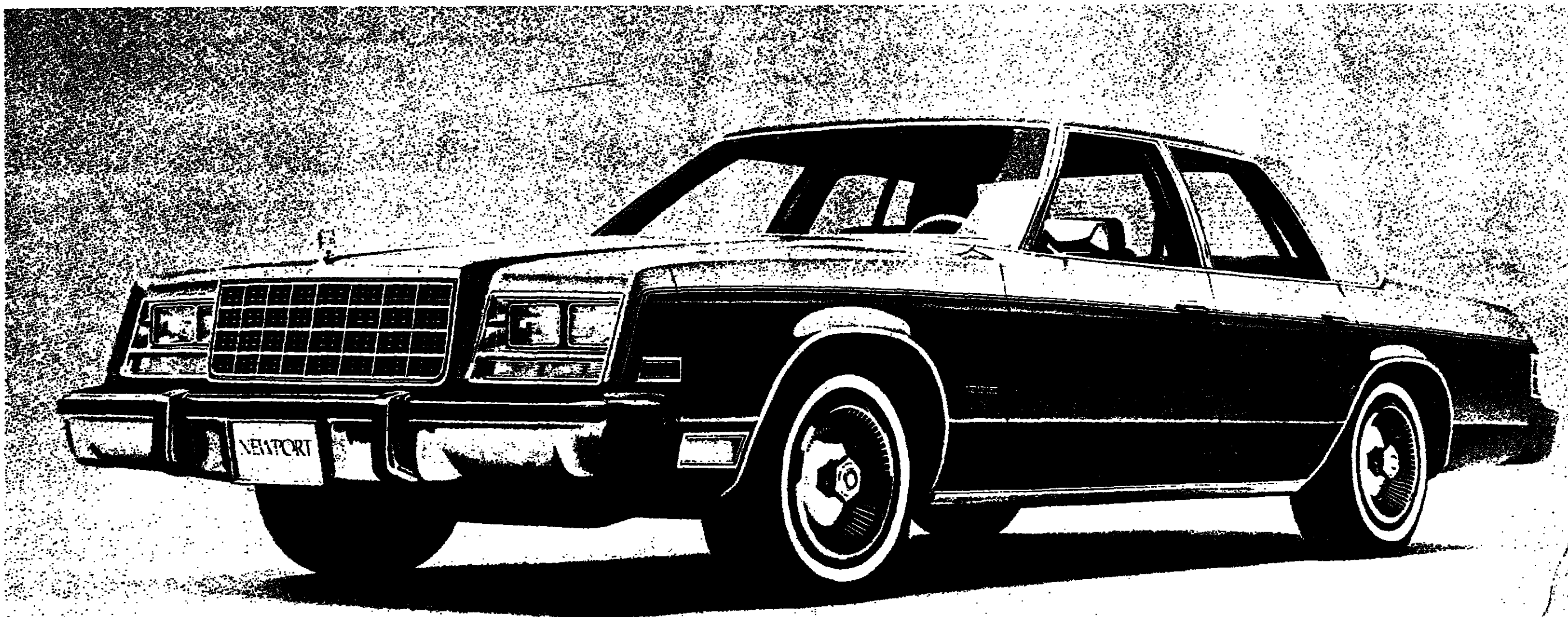
The extended study by Van Olst, Dr. Richard F. Brown and James M. Carlberg, financed largely under the University of California sea grant program, has proven a number of points:

— Lobsters can grow to mar-

been blamed for destroying the lobster habitat. Now, even with the 200-mile fishing limit in force, it is expected it will be years before the habitat can reestablish itself, if it does.

Thus the possibility that the

Before long, using temperature controls on some of their tanks, they discovered that, in water heated to a little more than 70 degrees Fahrenheit, the time between mating and the hatching of eggs dropped from 18 months, as



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A legacy of opposition to Afrikaner law in Soweto

By Sally Quinn
SOWETO, South Africa — A reporter, going for an interview to Soweto, the black city outside of Johannesburg, asked the hotel to arrange for a car and driver. She specified a black driver so that he could find the way.

"I'm sorry madam," said the porter. "You cannot have a black driver. It is against the law for a black and a white to drive together in a car in Soweto."

Later, a black friend who agreed to drive was asked about the law.

"Oh," he laughed, "The Afrikaners have laws against everything, they just choose when they want to enforce them. The hotel obviously didn't want to take the risk."

Her Christian name is Sally. Her African name is Bamelet-seng. It means, "Why do they hate me so?"

Sally Motlana has come a long way. At least for a black South African.

She is 51 now, or so she believes. She was born of illiterate parents and doesn't know her exact birth date. What she does know is that when her mother came to Johannesburg from the north eastern Transvaal, Sally was on her back and that was 1931.

Her soft gentle manner is deceptive, for behind the sweet smile and sparkling eyes is a fierceness that is almost frightening, particularly when she talks about the "system" in South Africa.

She has left her little grocery store in Soweto which she owns and returned to her house for the interview.

She lives in one of the nicest houses in Soweto, a ranch-style glass and stone house with a beautiful garden courtyard, designed for a South African and his black American wife 30 years ago.

Though most of the houses in the black city of 1.6 million people are tiny three-room shacks, often housing three families, Sally Motlana lives alone in her house with her husband and family.

And even though the house is nice, the yard is very small and there are other houses crammed in next to it, across the street is a mud field; down the road, more little shanties.

Sally Motlana is the head of the Black Housewives League, a women's organization in Soweto which she took over in 1972. Her husband, Nthato Motlana, is the

unofficial mayor of Soweto, a member of the 10-man council, and a very successful doctor.

The Motlanas are rich. Were they not black, they could probably live somewhere else rather than in the black ghetto as the government requires. Or at least they would be able to buy land and have a yard. Blacks in South Africa are not allowed to own land.

"I would love to live with my people," says Sally Motlana. "But I don't want to be told to live here."

I want to be able to choose to live here, I want to be able to choose where I live. In fact," she says, smiling mischievously, "Lower Houghton (an exclusive white area in Johannesburg) would be nice. They have nice big yards there."

"When the whites see you in town driving a beautiful car, to them you must have stolen it, or stolen the money to buy the car. They even come up to you and ask you where you got the money to buy it. That has been done to me. They don't understand, because they pay blacks so little, how anyone can afford it."

Sally Motlana ushers a guest into her spacious living room and sits on a large comfortable sofa, looking out on a perfectly kept garden. A black servant quietly brings in tea and cookies in pretty flowered porcelain with embroidered lace napkins.

She apologizes for the way she is dressed, in a plain cotton dress, because she has just come from the store. Her hair is simply cornrowed. She looks much younger than whatever age she thinks she is. She could be any upper-middle class black American housewife.

She laughs and chats and makes polite conversation at first, putting her guest at ease. Except that just below the surface of that concerned hostess, Sally Motlana is seething.

"I am in so much rage all the time," she says, "that I feel I will soon develop hypertension. The laws of this country make me so mad..." But she sees herself getting too upset again, puts her hand on her chest which has begun heaving and smiles a bit apologetically.

But ask her which laws make her the maddest — is it the separation laws? The immorality laws? The laws against blacks owning property? Against blacks voting? She'll tell you, of course they matter. But the thing that makes her the most angry is "they pass laws which have influx control."

Blacks in South Africa cannot move freely about. They must



Sally Motlana, head of the Black Housewives League in Soweto, with her son Karabo.

have passes stating that they are legally employed and if not, they are sent back to the "homelands," usually separating families.

The homelands are areas arbitrarily designated by the white Afrikaners for the blacks to live based on the tribal origin of the individual. Their plan is to make all blacks go back to the homelands of their ancestors, make each homeland a separate country. This plan would thereby rid South Africa of all its black citizens.

Of course most of the blacks in the cities have been born and raised in the cities, in some cases generations away from the bush. And the homelands are poor areas in the bush where there are no jobs, no opportunities, and general economic devastation. They also are very primitive areas where the women often have to walk for miles to fetch wood for fires to cook on and water to drink, clean and cook with. The catch also is that the whites need the black men and some of their women for labor. So they

would give them work passes to stay in urban centers, sending the women and children back to the homelands, thereby causing the disintegration of family life. This is already being done.

"This law," Sally Motlana says simply, "drives me around the bend."

For the last 25 years, ever since Sally Motlana and her husband have been married, they have been trying to do something about the laws.

Sally Motlana has been in jail three times, her husband once. He has been "banned" three times, for five years each time (that means you are not allowed to be in the presence of more than one person at a time. Ever. Or to leave your magisterial district. Or to publish. Or to give interviews.) Sally Motlana figures she is probably due to be banned herself at some point.

After she graduated from college, where she studied under the Anglicans, and began teaching history, after she and Motlana were married, the two of them became activists in a traditionally docile community. They organized the Defiance Campaign in 1952. "We used to go out at night and try to get people to defy the laws of South Africa." They did things like sit-ins — in those days things were much freer. Today with the laws so much more repressive, even these mild tactics are not possible.

"If you went into a restaurant today," she says, (blacks are not allowed in white restaurants in South Africa) "they would call the police. They would arrest you."

"They would charge you with trespassing under the Group Areas Act. In 1952 we organized sit-ins but we don't do it now. All organizations which have any meaning at all have been banned. We're not allowed to have church meetings. They've made it so difficult the only thing we can do is go underground."

They have all the strength, all the weapons. But the meetings I attend will not be known to them. Only the results will." Still, compared to the American black civil rights militants in the late '50s and early '60s, the Motlanas would be considered moderates. At least up until now.

Now the bitterness fairly spews out of her mouth when she speaks of the white Afrikaner, of the rules and laws which deny blacks any rights.

She talks about the idea of blacks having to return to their homelands. "I am from the Sotho tribe," she says, "my husband is Iswana. So where do my children belong? They are bastards because of this emphasis of the government on ethnic groupings."

"If they sent us back to our 'homelands,'" she says, the word dripping with scorn, "I would have to go to northern Sotho group, my husband would have to go south. I don't know where the children would go. They only speak English."

Sally Motlana speaks seven languages, including five tribal languages and Afrikaans. "But only when I'm stranded do I speak that language," she says. "Otherwise never in my life."

One of her main goals, she says, as head of the Black Housewives League, aside from helping the poor, the old, the crippled and the orphaned in Soweto, is "to teach the women not to adhere to ethnic grouping. And that is one thing the security police don't like me for, too," she says beaming with

stantly ringing telephone.

Then she will become violently angry, her eyes will catch fire, she will lean forward pounding her fist on her knee.

"I feel sorry for them," she says of the whites. "They don't understand what they are doing. If I didn't want a white person around me then I wouldn't want them at all, from birth to death. But they want me, the black person, they want me when it suits them."

"I prepare their food with my black hands which they don't want to touch. I take their children to the parks, and to the school. I teach them, I sing to them, I love them. And then, when the children are 10 years old they are taught that they must never touch me, touch me because I am a sinking black, or they will turn partially black. That," she says, trying to catch her breath, "that is why I feel sorry for them. They are not being honest with themselves. Even now you go to all these hotels and in the kitchen there is black man preparing the food, the waiters are all black. They're not being honest with themselves."

Among the tragic consequences of Afrikaner law are colored children born as a result of these illegal liaisons.

Not only does this produce a sociological problem, she says, but a legal one as well because by law "coloreds" in South Africa are different from blacks and therefore not allowed to live in black areas. Coloreds have their own areas, as do whites and Indians. This does produce somewhat of a catch-22 situation, since, according to law blacks and whites don't sleep together. It also makes it difficult for the government to explain away and accommodate the growing number of coloreds.

People are designated colored by the South African government because their parents are classified colored or because their skin is darker than white. Traditionally the colored have tried to identify with the whites, by speaking Afrikaans, imitating Western customs in order to disassociate themselves from the despised

blacks and to improve their own lot. The whites do not discriminate against the coloreds as they do against blacks.

The coloreds — there are about 2½ million of them — are either descendants of the original Hottentots, the people who inhabited the land when the Dutch first arrived in 1650, or descendants of Javanese slaves, or products of black-white sexual liaisons.

"These colored children are born every day," says Sally Motlana. "And they are classified officially as colored. If they are born of a white man and a black woman the law will be on the man's side. There is no such thing as a paternity suit. The man doesn't have to support the child. She will never get redress if she goes to court. Of course some white men do give the women money for the child. But never in the open."

She repeats the well-known story of a white Afrikaner and a black woman who recently fell in love in Johannesburg. Despite the gossip, the scandal and the social ostracism, they stayed together for three years, even quietly maintaining a flat together. Finally the pressure against them became so great that they committed suicide together.

According to Sally Motlana these women are not protected from scandal in the black community either. "The community feels very bad about her and an even worse stigma falls on her child. The other children call him 'lekgowa,' which means 'whitey'."

It is, from Sally Motlana's point of view, the human suffering, the personal day-to-day problems, which will cause the black people of South Africa to rise up against their white oppressors. And she can see it begin to happen gradually in little ways.

"The bitterness," she says, shaking her head sadly. "The relationship between the whites and the blacks has deteriorated a great deal. Even now, if I hear somebody speaking Afrikaans I feel like stuffing something in his mouth."

Her children, she says, are much more radical than she and her husband. "For sure they are. And it doesn't frighten me because I believe they are now beginning to understand the situation in this country."

She sees another sign of deteriorating relations in the black attitude toward the white liberals, the English-speaking whites who have traditionally been champions of the blacks.

"I think the liberals now must wait until we tell them what we want," she says. "They've delayed the progress of the black man for a long time by trying to steer the middle course. It's time they left us to our own decisions, our own way of doing things."

And that way, Sally Motlana fears, may eventually have to be violent.

"I am praying as a Christian there should be no violence," she says. "But the government of this country believes in putting things straight by using violence and violence will be retaliated with violence. We've tried every method to avoid it. But we are heading for a failure and the only door open is violence. I don't want to see it. I don't want to support it. I pray it won't happen. But what is left? I don't see any other alternative to violence."

When the interview is over, Sally Motlana leads the way to the door and walks down the path to the street. There, parked directly in front of her house, is a police car. A policeman is sitting in the car idly reading a newspaper and quickly comes to attention when he sees her appear with a reporter.

"Don't you have anything better to do?" she taunts in a loud voice. She seems not at all surprised or particularly disturbed.

How, she is asked, do they know she has been giving an interview?

Now she looks surprised. "They tap your telephones and bug your houses," she says matter-of-factly. "They know everything." — (WP)

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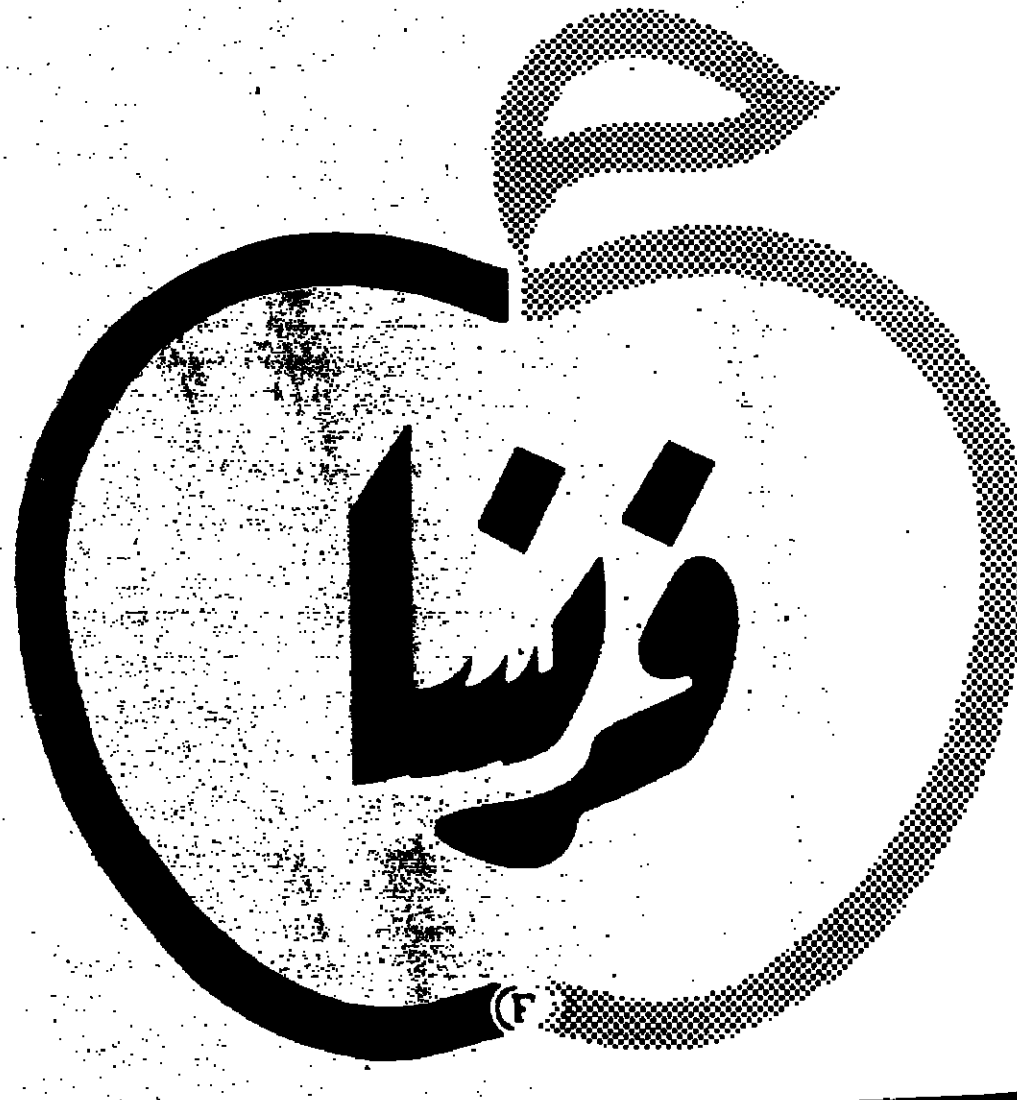
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Striking umpires throw doubt on traditional baseball opener

NEW YORK, April 4 (AP) — The cry of 'Play Ball' was to announce the start of the baseball season Wednesday night. The question was: Who was going to shout it?

The latest report was that Paul Pryor, the only umpire who has broken the ranks of dissident umpires to sign an individual contract, would do the honors in Cincinnati, where the Reds were scheduled for their traditional opener Thursday against the San Francisco Giants.

Pryor was expected to be one of the umpires in Cincinnati. Some 50 other major league umpires have refused to sign their contracts, seeking to renegotiate individually for higher wages.

The two leagues had hoped to sign a dozen minor league umpires but eight of them rejected the terms of the one-year major league contract.

Fans are expected at Cincinnati's Riverfront Stadium to watch what could be a thrilling pitching duel between Tom Seaver of the Reds and San Francisco's Vida Blue. Seaver was 16-14 with a 2.87 earned-run average last year while Blue was 18-10 and 2.79.

Between 15 and 20 major league umpires are expected to be on picket duty in Cincinnati. The Reds will get under way with two important

new faces — John McNamara replacing Sparky Anderson as the managerial wizard and light-hitting Ray Knight taking over third base for hard-hitting Pete Rose who signed a lucrative free-agent pact with the Philadelphia Phillies after 16 seasons and 3,164 hits with the Reds.

The Angels will send Frank Tanana, 18-12 and 3.65, against Seattle's Glen Abbott. But more eyes will be on seven-time AL batting champ Rod Carew, who became California's first baseman after 12 seasons with the Minnesota Twins. The addition of Carew has made the Angels the favorite to unseat the Kansas City Royals in the AL West.

There will be no picketing umpires in Seattle Thursday and the Mariners expected a crowd of between 32,000 and 38,000 thanked to an anonymous fan who bought 10,000 of the Kingdom's \$1.50 seats to be distributed to youngsters and old people, among others.

Most teams wound up their exhibition schedules Tuesday and head for their opening-game sites. Detroit left fielder Steve Kemp was stunned by Boston's Andy Hassler as the Tigers trounced the Red Sox, 8-2, Tuesday. Kemp apparently escaped injury when he was struck on the batting helmet but taken to hospital for observation.



ALL EYES: On Rod Carew in his old Twins' shirt

Everton's title hopes take shock at Bolton

LONDON, April 4 (R) — Everton's slender hopes of catching neighbor Liverpool at the top of the English League First Division virtually disappeared Tuesday night when Bolton defeated it, 3-1.

Trevor Ross gave second-placed Everton the lead with a penalty but Willie Morgan, Neil Whatmore and Garry Jones replied for Bolton which moved clear of the relegation area.

Wolverhampton overcame Saturday's Football Association Cup semi-final defeat by Arsenal with a 3-2 win against Tottenham.

Tottenham went ahead early on through Chris Jones, John Richards scored an equalizer just before half time but Jones then added his second goal to put the visitors' back in command.

Steve Daley quickly equalized but Wolves needed an injury-time effort by skipper Kenny Hibbitt to make sure of victory.

Kevin Mabbitt scored twice to give Bristol City a 2-0 triumph over Queen's Park Rangers which

sent the London club nearer the Second Division.

Birmingham City, another struggling side, forced a fighting 1-1 draw against Ipswich.

Arsenal showed some reaction from the Wolves Cup clash and could only draw, 1-1, at home to Coventry. Sammy Nelson scored for both sides. He turned a Don Nardiello cross into his own Arsenal goal then made amends by firing home a 20-yard drive.

Crystal Palace earned a useful promotion point after a goalless Second Division game at Oldham.

Dutch join NASL

CHICAGO, April 4 (R) — Dutch World Cup veteran Wim Van Hanegem has signed for the Chicago Sting in the North American Soccer League for one year while another Wim — Wim Rijssen — from the same Dutch World Cup team Tuesday signed for the New York Cosmos, the reigning champion

Taiwan, Henry Hsu scent Olympic victory

MONTEVIDEO, April 4 (AP) — Henry Hsu, a tall smiling Chinese who leads the fight to keep Taiwan in the Olympic Games, creeps closer to success. Hsu is the member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) from Taiwan.

He smiles when he is worried and he smiles when he is pleased. Right now it's a genuinely happy smile because IOC members are rallying to his cause and he appears to be winning.

"We would welcome athletes from the People's Republic of China in the Games," Hsu said, "but not at the expense of athletes from Taiwan. We will give a little if Peking will give a little."

Peking wants its athletes in the Olympics but demands that the IOC disown Taiwan as a separate territory. It says Taiwanese athletes should compete in an all-China team under Peking's direction.

Everyone in the IOC, from President Lord Killanin downwards agrees it is absurd that mainland China, the world's most populous country, is excluded from the Games. When IOC members began arriving in Montevideo at the weekend for their annual session, many were ready to consider taking a pragmatic course and throwing Taiwan out.

Now, they are wavering following a decision in the London High Court. A British judge ruled the expulsion of Taiwan by the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) was invalid. Both

mainland China and Taiwan may be members of the federation, the judge said.

The Taiwanese are playing this game cleverly and Hsu, who left the mainland at the time of the communist takeover, is leading the maneuvers for Olympic survival.

"It is bound to influence their

thinking," Hsu said happily. The IOC, which has had the problem of the two Chinas on its plate for 25 years, hopes to clear up the situation once and for all this week.

In the old days of pre-communist China, Hsu was an officer in the Chinese navy, trained at the U.S. Naval Training

Center in Miami. He won gold medals in volleyball, soccer swimming and water polo in regional games. He owns two hotels in Hong Kong and is a director of companies in Hong Kong and Taiwan.

Since he joined the IOC, he has seen his island increasingly cold shouldered by the rest of the world. It was disowned first by the United Nations and last year by President Jimmy Carter.

Among the 70,000 who watched the closing ceremony at the Olympic Games at Montreal in 1976, Hsu was the saddest figure. He watched the athletes march past, with not a single Taiwanese. Taiwan's athletes had been refused entry by the Canadian government.

Peking's sports officials have used everything from pressure to diplomacy to try to take Taiwan's place in the Olympic Games. Right now they are urging Taiwanese athletes to join Peking's team and even offering Hsu vice-presidency in the All China Sports Federation.

But Hsu stays loyal to his island. Tuesday he led a Taiwanese delegation before the executive board of the IOC and offered a major concession — the dropping of the controversial name of the Republic of China from Taiwan Olympic team.

Signs are the Peking people will not agree. They sit around in the IOC's hotel being polite to everyone but give no hint of a softening of their position.

Dope is major threat to Olympics--Killanin

LAUSANNE, April 4 (R) — Doping of athletes is the greatest danger to the future of the Olympic Games, far outweighing threats of political interference or breaches of rules on amateurism, International Olympic Committee President Lord Killanin said Tuesday.

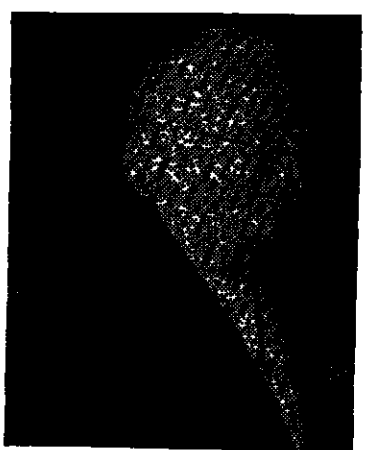
In an interview in the IOC's official monthly review he said muscle-building anabolic steroids, which athletes are banned from taking, created "a false person, whether man or woman."

"These are artificial people who have come out of a test-tube. But the aim of sport, and particularly the Olympic sports, is to create healthy and whole beings," Lord Killanin said.

Lord Killanin added that he had promised to review an IOC rule defining amateur status and athletes' eligibility for the Olympic Games. But he considered the general terms of the rule were satisfactory, and he remained opposed to opening the games to professionals as well as amateurs.

To open the games is to put them immediately into the hands of impresarios. Look at tennis. Developments there are disturbing because the impresarios are in charge through the intermediary of the national federations," he said.

Lord Killanin said that the IOC eligibility rule allowed athletes to be compensated for financial loss due to absence from work because of sports commitments.



Lord Killanin

But he said he was concerned about such payments being made to people who were full-time athletes, although not true professionals.

S. Africans may compete in Boston race incognito

JOHANNESBURG, April 4 (AP) — Five South African runners are apparently entering the famous Boston Marathon later this month but fear of anti-apartheid demonstrations has made the subject top secret here.

The "Rand Daily Mail" newspaper reported Wednesday that the five runners will compete in "one of the world's most famous Marathon races during Easter."

The Boston Marathon is set for April 16, the day after Easter Sunday.

But "we prefer not to divulge the name of the Marathon and the country in which it is being staged, in case the South Africans meet with some difficulties," Mirvis wrote.

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As demand falls, future bleak for shipbuilding

LONDON, April 4 (AP) — Half the world's shipbuilding yards face almost certain closure during the next two years because of sharp cuts in orders, Lloyds Register of Shipping has reported.

The London agency, which keeps track of tonnage afloat and under construction around the world, said Tuesday in its report for 1978 that orders for new ships slumped last year to 18 million gross tons, the lowest output in a decade.

In a gloomy report, Lloyd's Register chairman R.A. Huskisson said the 1979 outlook is even grimmer for an industry on the

downturn since the 1973-74 quadrupling of oil prices and subsequent world slump.

Describing the situation as serious for shipowners and disastrous for builders, Huskisson estimated new orders in 1979 at some 8 million gross tons, spread around world yards capable of producing 30 million tons of shipping.

"Many of the world's leading shipyards — vastly experienced, superbly equipped and highly efficient — are now without orders or the prospect of orders," said Huskisson.

"And it seems almost certain that only about half of the industry

will survive through the lean years before recovery begins..."

Huskisson, whose report was released at a news conference here, based his predictions of recovery on a "turning point" in the world economy in 1980, and industrial development in Communist China and the Far East.

The report shows the world fleet hit a new record of 406 million tons in 1978. But the net increase of 12 million tons was the smallest since 1968.

Oil tankers, at 175.04 million tons, accounted for nearly half the fleet, with most of the remainder divided evenly between oil and bulk carriers and general cargo vessels.

Japan, the world's biggest shipbuilding nation, continued to win the bulk of orders placed last year — 43.3 per cent. Poland, with 6.3 per cent, had the next biggest share, followed by Sweden and the United States.

Some 80 million tons of the world's shipping in 1978 sailed under the convenience flag of the small West African nation of Liberia, the report shows, followed by Japan with 39 million tons and West Germany, 34 million tons.

U.S. currency slips from 10-month high

TOKYO, April 4 (R) — The dollar fell Wednesday from a 10-month high level against the Japanese yen to close at 214.4 yen, the same level as Tuesday.

Foreign exchange dealers reported that the U.S. currency shot up to a 10-month peak of 216.8 yen as frantic traders scrambled to sell yen for dollars in the morning.

After an erratic session in which the dollar fell at one point to 213.90, relative calm was restored by late afternoon and the currency closed at par with Tuesday's price.

Dealers said trading volume

was \$1.45 billion, second highest ever after Tuesday's record-breaking \$6.6 billion.

In contrast to Tuesday's session when the Bank of Japan intervened with an all-time high level of \$1 billion to support the slipping yen, dealers said the central bank unloaded a relatively modest \$100 billion Wednesday to break the dollar's rise.

Gold bullion prices gained Tuesday in Zurich to \$240.625 a troy ounce from \$239.625 the day before. In London, Europe's other major market, the price was \$240.25, compared to \$239.75.

Common Market ministers agree on world trade pact

LUXEMBOURG, April 4 (AP) — Foreign ministers of the nine European Common Market countries agreed Wednesday to endorse the world trade agreement known as the Tokyo Round provided Italy agrees to lift some last-minute reservations.

The foreign ministers meeting here gave their negotiators in Geneva a provisional go-ahead to initial on April 11 most parts of the complex document.

But they refused immediately to approve a controversial safeguards code that would give the signatories of the document the right to protect their home industries against cheap imports.

The Tokyo Round document aims to lower world trade tariffs by an average of 25 to 30 per cent over eight years and institute codes of conduct to eliminate non-tariff barriers to trade.

The document is expected to be signed in Geneva within a few days after five years of talks.

Jean-Francois Deniau, the French trade minister, stressed to reporters the importance of concessions obtained by the European Common Market from the United States.

These, he said, included what he described as "the end of the arbitrary U.S. import policy" on textiles, the end of the "buy American" act and final acceptance by the United States of the European



PISTONS: This glimpse into the Swiss metal industry shows a production line of pistons. They are designed for use in the fast growing market of diesel engines.

Under Treasury plan

U.S. to give \$90m to Africa bank

WASHINGTON, April 4 (AP) — The U.S. government would pay \$90 to \$100 million to a reorganized African Development Bank under a proposal out-

lined by Fred Bergsten, assistant secretary of the Treasury for international affairs.

"Over half of the 25 poorest, least developed countries in the world are in Africa," he said in a statement to a congressional group Tuesday.

"In few African countries do the numbers of individuals in absolute poverty number less than one-third of the population. Life expectancies in Africa average 43 years — almost 10 years less than in other developing countries and 30 years less than in the United States."

The African Development Bank is now limited to its 48 African members, who have provided it with \$957 million in capital. Negotiations are going on with 20 countries outside Africa to join and make a contribution.

Bergsten said President Jimmy Carter's administration is thinking of a subscription of \$360 to \$400 million to be contributed over five years beginning perhaps in October 1981. Of this, 25 per cent — \$90 to \$100 million — would be paid in capital. The rest would be "callable capital" that would serve to guarantee commercial loans floated by the bank but which would not leave the U.S. Treasury. The bank would make its own loans to the African countries with the proceeds of the

money it borrows on world markets. This is standard procedure with international lending bodies such as the World Bank.

An aide to Bergsten said the proportion of paid-in capital would be unusually high because the bank has had little experience in floating commercial loans and would therefore need more cash.

He estimated that the U.S. contribution would amount to 17 or 18 per cent of the total contributions from non-African countries.

Details are still subject to the negotiations, which have not yet been completed. The last session was held in London in February.

Bergsten is also asking for \$41.7 million for the African Development Fund, the first of three installments of a \$125 million U.S. contribution.

Carter to reveal new plan to cut back foreign oil

WASHINGTON, April 4 (R) — U.S. President Jimmy Carter will announce Thursday a new plan to reduce U.S. dependence on imported oil, the House said Tuesday.

He will reveal his measures, which the White House said last week would be unpleasant, in a televised speech at 9 p.m. Thursday.

The White House warning suggested that Carter would increase fuel prices by ordering the gradual lifting of price controls on domestically-produced oil.

The president gave a commitment at the seven-nation economic summit in Bonn last July that U.S. oil prices would rise to world levels by the end of next year.

This would mean ending a disparity of about \$4 a barrel between the price of world oil and that produced in the United States.

Mandatory price controls on domestic oil expire June 1, and Carter can maintain, ease or eliminate them until his current

mandate ends in September 1981.

Administration officials said the president faced the problem of trying to tackle the energy crisis without further increasing inflation.

The U.S. energy position was aggravated by the recent decision of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to raise the world oil price by about nine per cent.

Carter's plans were originally expected last month. But the announcement was delayed first by Carter's involvement with the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty and then apparently by last week's accident at the nuclear plant near Harrisburg, Pa.

The president is considering setting up a commission to determine what went wrong at the stricken Three Mile Island nuclear plant, the White House also announced Tuesday. One portion of Carter's Thursday speech is expected to be about the role of nuclear power in helping the United States to meet its energy needs. This section now seemed likely to be modified.

Dow hits largest gain in year closing at 868

NEW YORK, April 4 — The market surged ahead throughout Tuesday. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rallied to close up 13.08 at 868.33. The Dow showed strong performance with the largest gain all year of 4.82 at 230.18. It gained 81, at 104.13 retracing most of Monday's loss.

The day's exceptionally active trading of 33.6 million shares accompanied favorable breadth as 1160 issues gained and 359 issues declined. The American Stock Exchange followed the Dow and closed up to 179.85.

Growth and glamour issues advanced with Abbott Labs up 1/2 to 33, Johnson and Johnson rose 1/2 to 69 1/2, Merck gained 1 1/2 to 66 1/2, Revlon rose 1/2 to 49 1/2, Burroughs rallied 2 1/2 to 72, Digital Equipment up 2 1/2 to 55 1/2 and IBM gained 5 1/2 to 319 1/2.

Energy issues gained with Atlantic Richfield up 1 1/2 to 62 1/2, Cities Service rose 1 1/2 to 61, Dresser up 1 1/2 to 43 1/2, Hughes 1001 advanced 1 1/2 to 50 1/2.

Schlumberger gained 3 1/2 to 105 1/2, and Standard of Indiana gained 1 1/2 to 61 1/2.

Among the basic industry issues, Republic Steel rose 3/4 to 26 1/2, Dupont gained 2 1/2 to 141 1/2, Kimberly Clark up 1 1/2 to 47 1/2, Financial Federation gained 2 1/2 to 43 1/2 and Weyerhaeuser up 1/2 to 31 1/2.

Auto and machinery issues advanced with GM up 1 to 57 1/2, Caterpillar rose 1/2 to 59 1/2, Inter Harvester gained 1 to 39 1/2, Ingersoll Rand gained 2 1/2 to 51 1/2.

Aerospace, airlines and rails rose with Boeing up 2 1/2 to 67, Raytheon rose 1 1/2 to 45 1/2, American Airlines up 1 1/2 to 13 1/2, Northeast gained 1 1/2 to 30 1/2, and Union Pacific up 2 1/2 to 60 1/2.

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Greece to join EEC on May 28

LUXEMBOURG, April 4 (R) — Common Market foreign ministers have set May 28 as the date on which the treaty on Greece joining the community will be signed in Athens diplomats say.

French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing is expected to go to Athens for the ceremony, the diplomats added Tuesday. France is in the chair of the EEC Council of Ministers for the first half of the year.

Greek Foreign Minister Georges Rallis was here for Tuesday night's negotiations with the nine on the final details of his country's accession.

The most likely date for Greece to become the tenth member of the community is Jan. 1, 1981, they added, but Greek sources said July 1 next year was still a possible date.

EEC sources said the nine existing Common Market members preferred the later date.

U.S. rules out court action on truckers' strike

WASHINGTON, April 4 (AP) — As a trucking industry shutdown cuts further into the United States' auto production, U.S. Labor Secretary Ray Marshall says the government has no immediate plans to seek a court-ordered end to the two-day nationwide lockout of striking truck drivers.

Marshall Tuesday said the shutdown by 500 major trucking firms was causing only limited disruptions outside the auto industry, which is heavily any actions on daily shipments of parts by truck.

"We are not contemplating any action at this point," Marshall said, referring to a law under which the U.S. government can seek an 80-day court injunction to end labor disputes that threaten the national welfare.

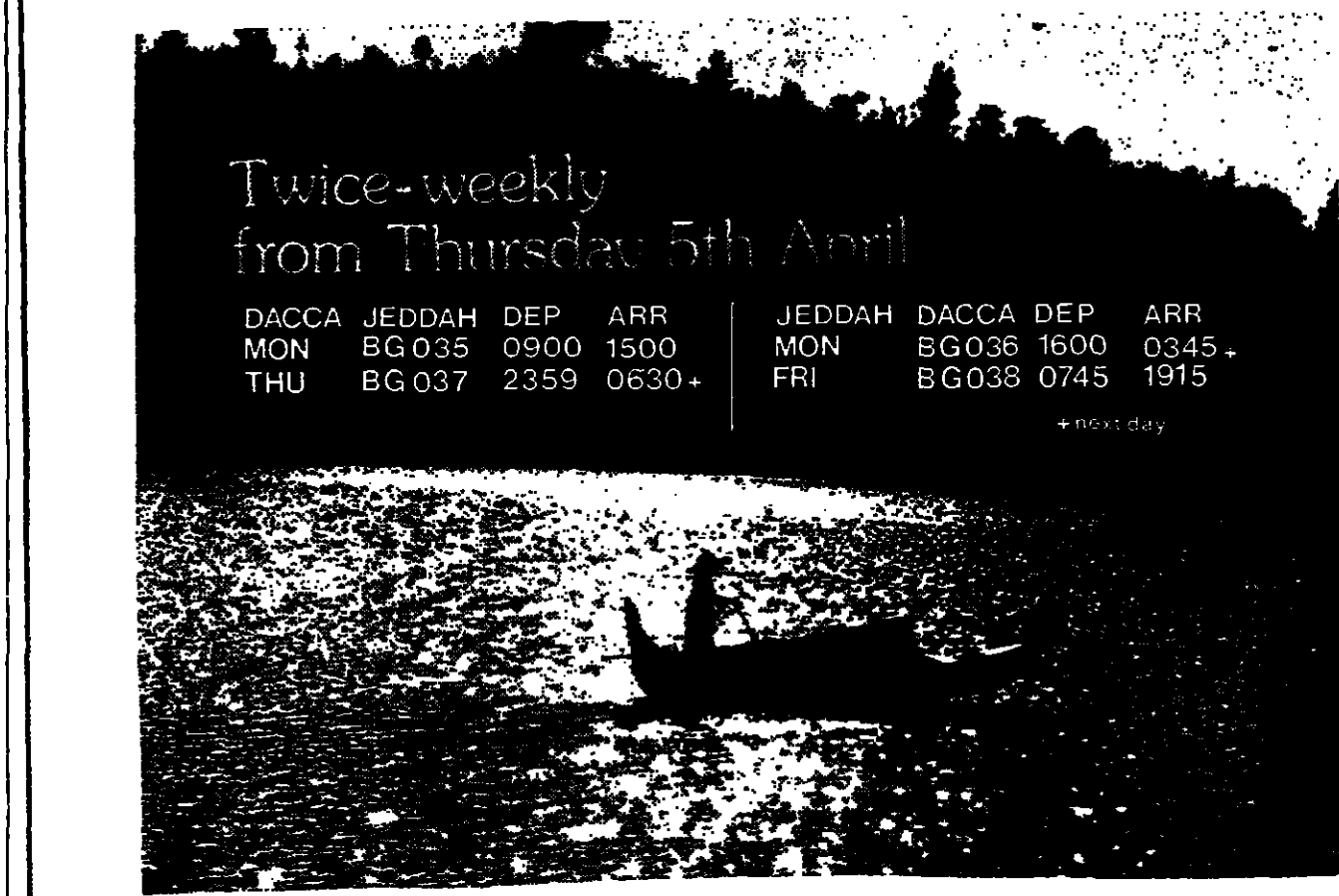
However, the secretary said he could not rule out the possibility of severe economic disruptions of the trucking industry lockout of striking Teamsters Union members persists.

The auto industry has been the initial and principal victim of the lockout and strike that began in full Monday's general companies and teamsters who haul much of the country's general cargo shipments.

Some 86,000 auto workers at 24 plants were either laid off or placed on short shifts Tuesday because of parts shortages blamed on the lockout. Industry officials said 29 plants would be shut or operate on short shifts Wednesday, affecting 107,000 workers.

According to industry estimates, 235,000 teamsters and 500 of the largest U.S. trucking firms are affected by the lockout.

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Swiss F (100)	198.00	201.00	198.50
French F (100)	78.00	78.75	78.00
Italian Lira (1000)	4.00	4.05	4.02
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	107.00	107.00
Syrian Lira (100)	—	78.50	86.75
Egyptian Pound	—	4.52	4.80
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.23	12.20
Jordanian Dinar	—	11.30	11.28
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	87.00	87.90
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	87.00	87.90
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.70	8.79
Iranian Riyal (100)	—	41.00	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	9.00	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	—	74.00	74.10
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	79.00	87.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	41.70
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	31.50	34.25
Gold kg	—	26,100	—
10 Tolas bar	—	3,060	—
Silver kg bar	—	900	—
Japanese yen (100)	1.57	—	—
Canadian dollar	2.91	—	—
Belgian franc (10)	1.13	—	—
Dutch guilder	1.66	1.69	—

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ATHENS, April 4 (R) — Greece has raised the price of gasoline by 18 per cent and restricted private motoring at weekends as a government minister said rationing was to be introduced soon.

To make up for OPEC crude oil price increases agreed last week, the price of high octane gas already among the highest in the world, was raised to 26 drachmas (72 cents) a litre and that of regular gas was raised to 23 drachmas (64 cents) a litre.

Minister of Commerce and Shipping, Vassilios Tsotakis said only half the country's private cars would be allowed on the roads at weekends and rationing would be imposed soon.

Cars with odd licence numbers would be allowed on the roads one weekend, and those with even numbers the other, he added.

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NEW YORK, April 4 (AP) — The maritime coordinator of the U.S. government's Mediation and Conciliation Service reported no change Tuesday in a bargaining impasse that has tied up 250 tug boats and other harbor craft based in the Port of New York.

The mediator, Robert Kennedy, met separately with the striking United Marine Division local unit of the International Longshoremen's Union Association.

The 2,000 crewmen manning the fleet walked off the job Sunday after voting unanimously to strike. Their vessels are idle, nested at piers throughout the harbor waters, as trucks take over many of their chores of hauling refuse and delivering fuel oil and building materials.

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OCK MARKETS

Clinging April 3			Clinging April 2		
Croftsminkit	344	343			
Perfumer	283	288			
Salacia	576	576			
Suspenk	62	62			
Stupor	225	225			
Wig Magnet	250	250			
Prizes Sec.					
Alkal Tredding	375	375			
Amali Elec.-Chem.	159	162			
Amali Glass	354	350			
Back of Throat	110	714			
Benay's France	695	719			
Brigastone Tire	522	525			
Cannet	559	563			
Chiyoda	758	758			
Chinab Power	944	975			
Citizens Watch	564	572			
Delfick Kangro Book	308	308			
Dei Nippon Printing	583	583			
Dei Nippon Watch	216	266			
Electric Machine	451	445			
Fuji Bank	308	333			
Fuji Photo Film	205	646			
Fuji Solenoid	136	138			
Fujitsu	408	432			
Hibachi	285	268			
Imada Motor	673	673			
ISI	108	110			
Ishi	259	256			
J. A. J.	2900	2910			
Kajima	308	336			
Kanai Power	910	974			
Kao	635	625			
Kawasaki Steel	116	119			
Kirin Brewery	445	456			
Kobun	369	385			
Kobori	286	285			
Matsushita Inds.	660	670			
Matsushita Works	556	560			
Mitsubishi	335	335			

Mitsubishi Chemical	145	148
Mitsubishi Electric	175	198
Mitsubishi Heavy	368	378
Mitsubishi Heavy	130	132
Mitsubishi Corp.	414	428
Mitsui Co.	380	382
Mitsui Estate	681	685
Mitsui Sanching	108	109
Mitsukoshi	487	488
Mitsumori Electric	539	537
Nissan	218	243
Nippon Electric	305	318nd
Nippon Fire Insur.	UNQ	—
Nippon Kasei	142	143
Nippon Navi	900	895
Nippon Oil	860	864
Nippon Paper	330	336
Nippon Sheet Glass	275	279
Nippon Steel	122	126
Nippon Told	238	234
Nippon Yusen	234	234
Nissai Motor	664	663
Norman Securities	458	460
Oriental Express	767	753
Riksei	565	566
Sanyo	459	468
Shimizu	1110	1110
Tokai	1759	1760
Sankyo Bank	334	334
Sankyo Cement	178	185
Sanyo	122	122
Sankyo Marine	234	240
Sankyo Metal	114	114
Taisei	238	238
Takachi	232	232
Takachi	559	566
Tajima	129	131
Tekko	266	266
Tokyo Gas	116	122
Tokyo Machine	469	478
Tokyo Power	948	948
Tokyo	477	485
Toray Indus.	170	179
Tochiba	137	142
Tokai Kyogyo	461	464
Toyota	825	828
Yamaha	234	235
Yamashita	380	382

SHANGHAI PORT	
Closing April 3	Closing April 2
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Industries:	
Bentall Holdings.....	294 296
Bentall Cos	190 190
China Shipbuilding	330 333
Cycle & Carriage	388 388
Eaco Ind.	416/428 428
Framar & Neave	545 545
Harbin	528/529 529

Harper Grimshaw	304	394
How Far Power	160	162
Indonesian	170	170
Malayan	555	UNQ
Malaysian Tobacco	404/414	414
National Iron	425	425
N.B. Timbers	282	285
Paper Products	159	155
Plaster Delivery	360	360
Richmond	310	310
Ships Delivery	253	255
Straits Steamship	628	615
Straits Times Press	308	308
Thames	302/384	382
Times Publishing	545	550
Tractors Malaya	158	156
William Jacks Co.	158	156
Finances:		
DBS	474a	478a
Bank Leong	366/518	368
Malayan Banking Co.	659	644/650
OCBC	878	878
UOB	530a2	340a2
Hotels:		
Palm	95	110
Goodwood Park	450a2	450a2
Properties:		
Central Properties	162	162
City Development	116	128
East	146	147
Island Pn. Dev	354	356
Singapore Land	174	173
Palm Oil:		
United Plantations	256	251
Mining:		
Berjaya	818	818
Kampung Lanjut	225	225
Pahang Cons.	155	157
Selangor Drilling	420/428	424/438
Rubbers:		
Ban Lintang	249a	268a
Lat	432	436
Kempas (Malaya)	432/426a	426a
K.L. Kepong	281a1	281a1
Kilim Malaysia	381	382
Kluang	375	382
Consol. Plantations	392a	196a

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EURO-CURRENCY INTEREST RATES				
April 2	Sterling	U.S. Dollar	Canadian Dollar	Japanese Yen
Short term	12 1/2-12 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4
7 days notice	12 1/2-12 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4
Month	12 1/2-12 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4
Three months	11 3/4-11 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4
Six months	11 3/4-11 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4
One year	11 3/4-11 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4	10 1/2-10 3/4

The following numerical rates were quoted for London:

10.00-10.70 per cent; one year 10.50-10.60 per cent

Long-term Eurodollar deposits: two years 10.50-10.60 per cent; three years 10.50-10.60 per cent; five years 10.50-10.60 per cent

Short-term rates are call for sterling, Singapore.

Canadian Dollar	Dutch Guilder	Swiss Franc	W. German Mark	French Franc	Italian Lira	Japanese Yen	Deutsche Mark
25.00-26.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	7-10	111/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
26.00-27.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	10-11 1/2	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
27.00-28.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	11-12 1/2	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
28.00-29.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	12-13	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
29.00-30.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	13-14	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
30.00-31.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	14-15	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
31.00-32.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	15-16	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
32.00-33.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	16-17	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
33.00-34.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	17-18	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
34.00-35.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	18-19	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
35.00-36.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	19-20	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
36.00-37.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	20-21	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
37.00-38.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	21-22	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
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40.00-41.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	24-25	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
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42.00-43.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	26-27	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
43.00-44.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	27-28	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
44.00-45.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	28-29	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
45.00-46.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	29-30	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
46.00-47.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	30-31	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
47.00-48.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	31-32	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
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50.00-51.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	34-35	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
51.00-52.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	35-36	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
52.00-53.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	36-37	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
53.00-54.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	37-38	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
54.00-55.00	2.7-2.8	3.0-3.1	6.0-6.1	6.0-6.1	38-39	10 1/16-15 1/16	10 1/16-15 1/16
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One dollar certificates of deposit: One month 10.25-10.30 per cent; three months 10.25-10.45 per cent; six months 10.25-10.50 per cent; nine months 10.25-10.55 per cent; twelve months 10.25-10.60 per cent; U.S. dollars and Canadian dollars; two days' notice for gold and Swiss francs. Aston rates are clearing rates.

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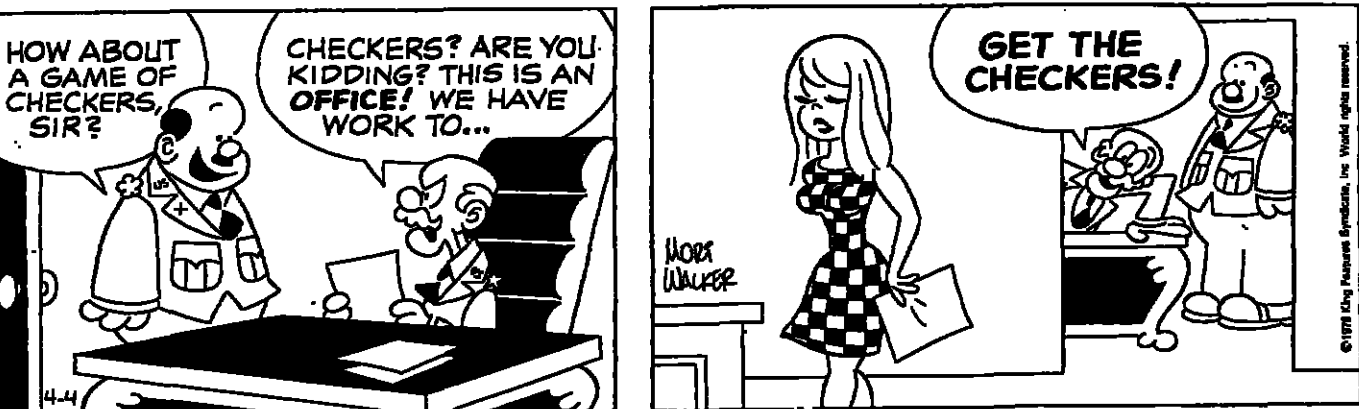
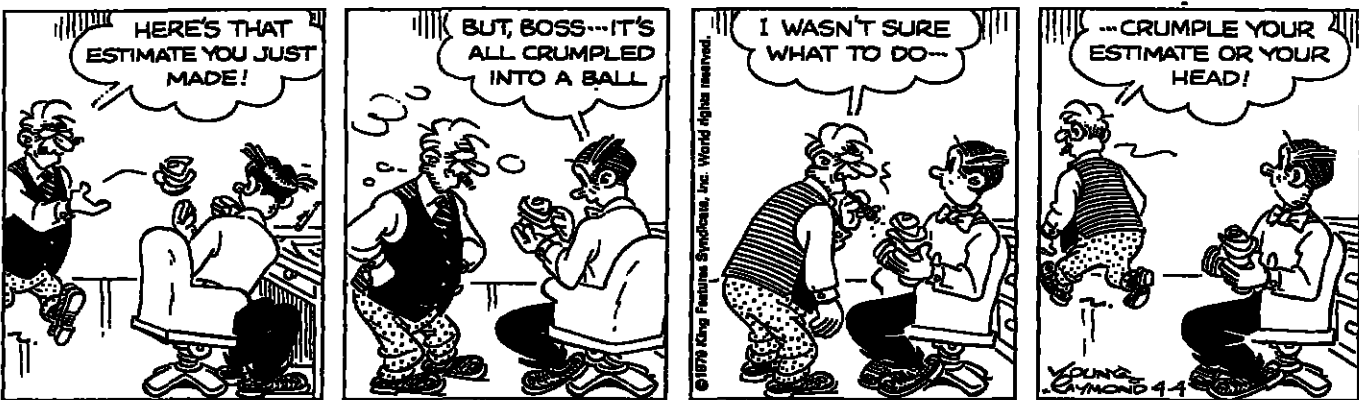
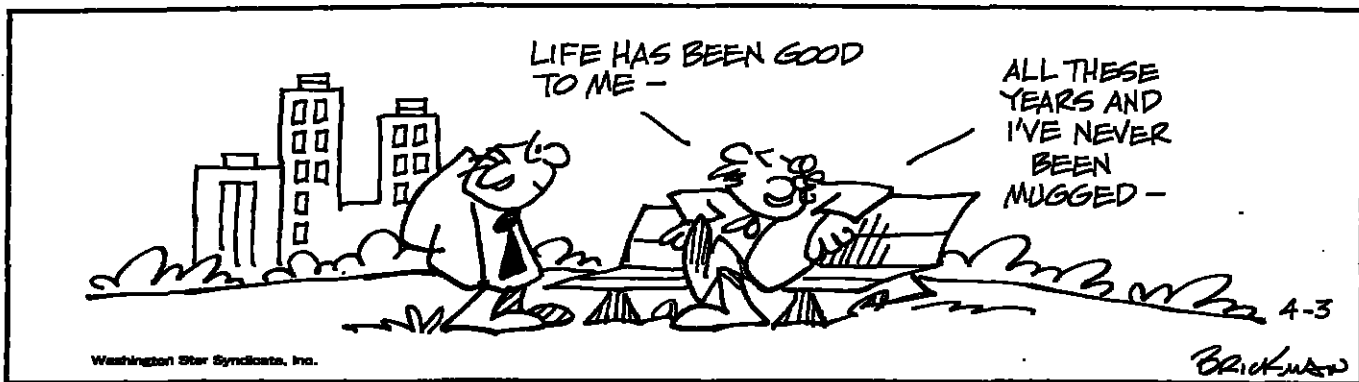
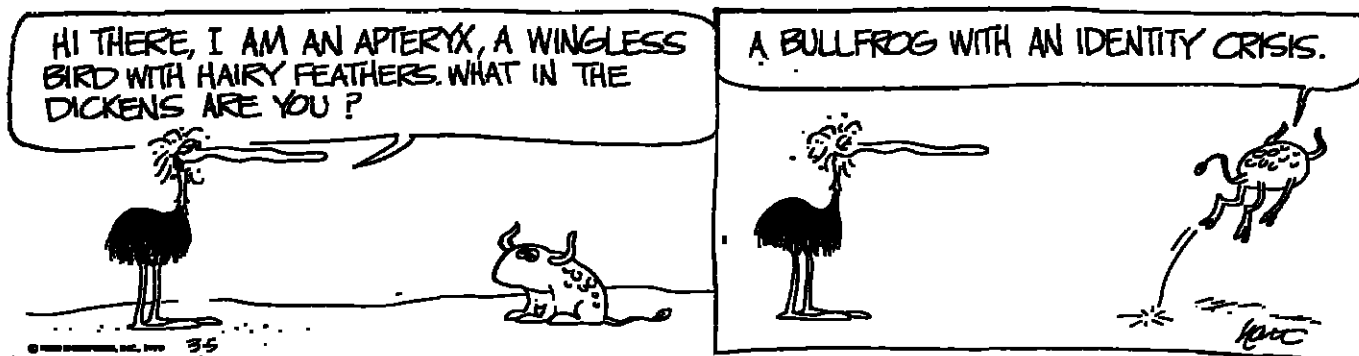
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- Track
- Secret agent
- Muscular symptom
- Frankfurter
- Set in motion
- Get there
- Freight weight
- Those not in bondage
- Sor
- Platist
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- Fleming et al
- William and Arthur
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- "holy"
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- Pour all on
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- Of the ear

DOWN

- Gilmore of basketball
- To be: Lat.
- DOWN
- Italian staple
- Indulgence
- Considering
- "Wait Till You See"
- Forefathers
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Yesterday's Answer

- Marshes
- Canter
- Desert
- refuge
- Staff
- kin
- Anderson
- Trouble

THE CROSSWORD

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DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE - Here's how to work it:

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

RA DSMP ZLWD KMLUM, WL-
DRIWC CSIJGF LOIRF DSM
KRW-KVRUTC DSLD KVMUMFM
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Yesterday's Cryptquote: WHEN IN CHARGE, PONDER
WHEN IN TROUBLE, DELEGATE. WHEN IN DOUBT,
MUMBLE. - JAMES BOREN

Believe It or Not!

ARKANSAS ROYALTY
THE 5 CHILDREN OF MR. and MRS. A. G. DOSS OF KING, ARKANSAS, ARE NAMED:
KING EBBERT DOSS
QUEEN OPAL DOSS
ROYAL ELDRED DOSS
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The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
4♠	Pass	4♥	Pass
4♠	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♠	Pass	6♠	Pass

Opening lead - queen of clubs.

I was playing with my son Mike in the final round of the National Life Masters Pairs when this deal came up. He opened third-hand with one spade and I responded four clubs! This unusual jump-response indicated the values for a raise to four spades and, at the same time, designated a singleton (possibly a void) in clubs.

There is no doubt in my mind that this singleton showing device is an extremely valuable aid to ac-

curate slam bidding. Many slams depend so much on distributional factors as on high cards, and the announcement of a singleton in a suit where partner has several losers is often a sure-fire key to a slam.

The convention unquestionably worked well here. After East doubled four clubs I bid four diamonds, indicating the ace, and Mike then bid four hearts, likewise showing the ace.

I could now do no more than bid four spades - there is a limit to how many bids one can make with only two aces and no other high cards. But when Mike bid five hearts, identifying the A-K and probably heart length, my hand grew enormously in stature and I had no compunctions about jumping to six spades.

The slam proved easy to make. Mike ruffed one heart and two clubs in dummy, and in that way brought home twelve tricks for a score of 1,430 points.

Stranger enough, although the hand was played at 25 tables, ours was the only one where the slam was bid. But then again, maybe this wasn't so strange, because if you're unlikely to get to a slam when you have only 21 high-card points opposed to the opponents' 15.

ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

PRAYER TIMES

Thursday Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca 4:58	6:16	12:31	3:55	6:39	8:09
Medina 4:56	6:10	12:32	3:59	6:41	8:11
Nejd 4:27	5:46	12:01	3:28	6:10	7:40

DHAHRAN TV

4:30 Children's Show	Sesame Street: No. 1082
6:30 George Kirby Show	Nancy Wilson
6:54 Welcome Back Kotter	Kotter For Vice Principal
7:25 Rickford Files	Rattler's Class Of 63
8:13 NFL Football	Highlights: No. 12, Minn. Vs. L.A.

WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:
The central and eastern regions will be affected by a strong heat wave, with surface winds blowing mostly easterly to northeasterly raising dust and sands at different intervals. High humidity over the western and southwestern regions, but a likelihood of scattered thundershowers over the highlands. The temperatures will, however, decline over the northwestern region.

Sea conditions will be light to moderate in the territorial waters.

Wednesday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca 39	26	Tabuk 34	18
Jeddah 37	23	Turuf 34	17
Riyadh 35	18	Arar 39	21
Dhahran 31	15	Rafha 40	17
Medina 37	22	Bisha 31	13
Taif 31	14	Abha 26	10

SAUDI RADIO

Afternoon Transmission	10:01 The Holy Quran
2:00 Opening	10:05 Message to the Faithful
2:01 The Holy Quran	10:10 Light Music
2:05 Gems of Guidance	10:15 NEWS
2:10 S.A. - Historical Notes	10:25 S.A. - A Daily Chronicle
2:20 On Islam	10:30 Melody Makers
2:30 Hits in Germany	11:00 Youth Welfare
3:00 NEWS	11:10 Music
3:10 Press Review	11:15 Hot Rock
3:15 Music	11:45 The Golden Age
3:20 Islamic Activities	12:00 Imp. Com. & Recollections
3:30 Leaps and Bounds	12:10 Music
3:40 Music	12:15 Mood Music
3:50 close Down	12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
Evening Transmission	01:00 Close Down
10:00 Opening	

VOA

P.M.	10:05 Opinion: Analyses
8:00 News Roundup:	News Summary
Reports: Actualities:	10:30 VOA Magazine:
Opinion: Analyses	America: Science:
Datefile	Cultural: Letter
News Summary	11:00 Special English: News
9:00 Special English:	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
News: Feature: The	
Making of a Nation	VOA WORLD REPORT
News Summary	12:00 News newsmakers'
9:30 Music USA:	voices correspondents
(Standards)	reports background
0:00 News Roundup:	features media comments
Reports: Actualities	news analyses.

BBC

Morning Transmission	4:30 The Pleasure's Yours
8:00 World News	5:15 Report on Religion
8:09 *Twenty-Four Hours	6:00 Radio Newsreel
News Summary	6:15 *Outlook
*Sarah Ward	7:00 World News
8:30 World Today	7:09 Commentary
9:00 Newsdesk	7:15 *Sherlock Holmes
9:30 *Opera Star	7:45 World Today
10:00 World News	8:00 World News
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours	8:09 *Books and Writers
News Summary	8:30 *Take One
*Sarah Ward	8:45 Sports Round-up
10:45 *Something to Show	9:00 World News
You	9:09 News about Britain
11:00 World News	9:15 Radio Newsreel
11:09 Reflections	9:30 Farming World
11:15 Piano Style	10:00 Outlook News
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978	Summary
12:00 World News	10:39 Stock Market Report
12:09 British Press Review	10:45 Look Ahead
12:15 World Today	10:45 Ulster in Focus
12:30 Financial News	11:00 World News
12:40 Look Ahead	11:09 Twenty-Four Hours:
12:45 The Tony Myatt	News Summary
Request Show	11:30 The Pleasure's Yours
11:15 Ulster in Focus	Midnight Transmission
1:30 Discovery	12:15 Talkabout
2:00 World News	12:45 Nature:
2:09 News about Britain	Notebook
2:15 Alphabet of	1:00 World News
Musical Curios	1:09 World Today
2:30 Sports International	1:25 Financial News
2:40 Radio Newsreel	1:35 Book Choice
3:15 Promenade Concert	1:40 Reflections
3:45 Sports Round-up	1:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News	2:00 World News
4:09 Twenty-Four Hours:	2:09 Commentary
News Summary	2:15 The Face of England

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake
FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 1979

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES
(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈
Visitors from afar may add a happy note to the domestic scene. Home entertainment plans are favored over going out for good times.

TAURUS
(Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉
Good news lifts your spirits. Social planning with friends works to your happy state of mind, but confusion marks a home situation.

GEMINI
(May 21 to June 20) ♊
Financial gain is now possible. Career planning works to your advantage, but don't imagine things about a relationship. Think clearly.

CANCER
(June 21 to July 21) ♋
Self-confidence marks your approach to life. Your personality goes over well with superiors, but keep a close eye on financial accounts.

LEO
(July 22 to Aug. 22) ♌
Thoughtful moments by yourself lead to a happy solution, which you'll act on later. Avoid dubious investment schemes. Moves behind the scenes pay off.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍
Accept invitations. A social occasion may lead to a new relationship or romance.

Don't dwell on a domestic problem which may take time to resolve.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎
A good time to begin new work projects. Career success is indicated. Enthusiasm on your part could mar a friendship. Watch indecision.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏
Make travel plans. News from a distance is cheerful. Act on your convictions, but protect finances and valuables from possible loss.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐
Take the initiative in a romantic situation. Enjoy good times, but complete tasks first. Social life should prove invigorating.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑
You have the edge on the competition now. Put ideas into action. Partnership plans go smoothly. Bring joy. Banish secret worries.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒
Launch new work projects. Take pleasure in your accomplishments and know the satisfaction that comes from a job well done. Seek financial gain.

PISCES
(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓
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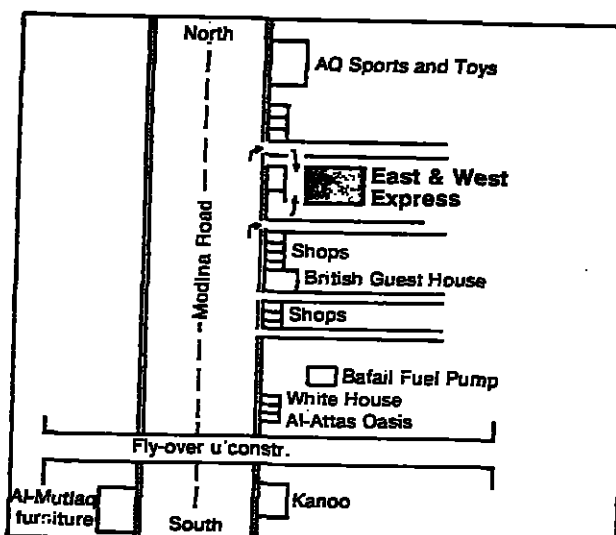
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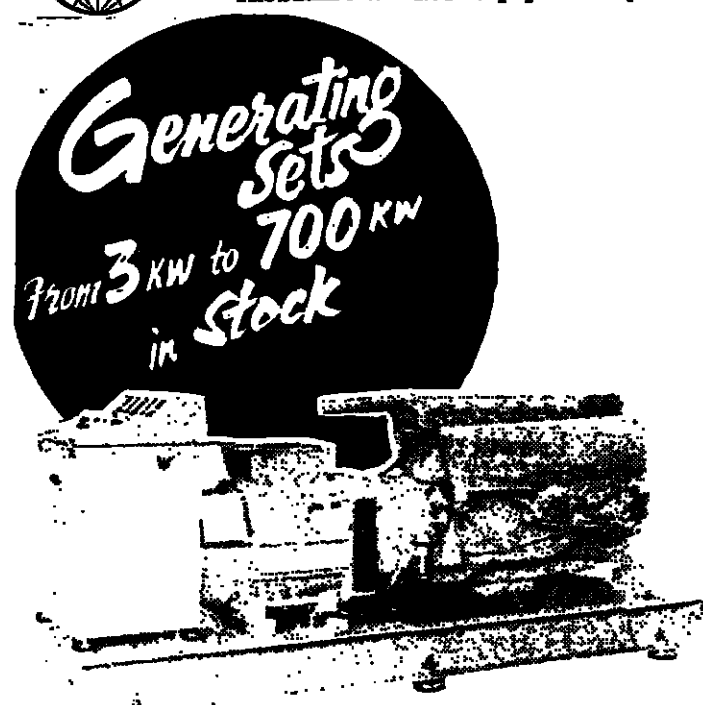
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International

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Shutdown plans proceed in U.S.

Reactor danger said nearly gone

HARRISBURG, Pa., April 4 (AP) — Governor Dick Thornburgh declared an end Wednesday to the threat of "immediate catastrophe" in the most serious nuclear accident in the United States, but authorities still waited for Three Mile Island's disabled reactor core to reach a cold shutdown. Only then, they said, would they declare all danger past.

sequences of this event — we have serious public health problems, environmental problems and economic problems to grapple with."

The governor continued his advisory that pregnant women and young children stay at least five miles from Three Mile Island, and federal officials say there remains the slight risk of more trouble.

In the meantime, there were reports that last Wednesday's accident may have been the result of a human error and that the

cleanup may take several years and cost up to \$40 million.

The "Chicago Tribune" said the break-down has been traced to a backup cooling system valve that was inadvertently left closed several days before the accident. The Allentown (Pennsylvania) "chronicle" carried a similar report Sunday.

"The New York Times" said officials of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission estimate it might be as long as four years before the crippled plant was decontaminated, overhauled and placed back

on line.

And "Washington Post" said nuclear experts likened the cleanup operation to scrubbing a highly radioactive ring out of a giant bathtub.

"First you drain out the dirty water, and then you scrub it down," the newspaper quoted Robert Bernero of the NRC as saying.

But the technicians first have to cool down the reactor. "There is still a potential that some loss of cooling mechanism might still cause the core to become uncovered," said Harold Denton, the NRC's chief of operations in Harrisburg.

Thousands of people trickled back to their homes, and schools outside the five-mile radius reopened. Civil defense officials estimated that as many as one-fourth of the region's 950,000 residents may have fled.

As anxieties waned over the immediate problems, Congress began looking into the long-range health consequences of the accident that began one week ago with radiation leaking from the plant. Officials said radiation within the reactor containment building remained lethal.

Several congressmen active on nuclear issues said Tuesday, after a briefing by White House and National Security Council officials, that radiation from the plant may be released for weeks or even months to come.

Although federal officials say radiation outside the plant is well within safe levels, many health experts contend that prolonged exposure to even low levels of radiation can have slow-developing but serious health effects.



SHAH'S CHILDREN: On Paradise Island in the Bahamas, two children of the Shah of Iran play on the beach under the watchful eye of a security guard. (AP photo)

Defense chief

Beirut minister resigns

BEIRUT, April 4 (R) — Gen. Victor Khouri has tendered his resignation as defense minister to President Elias Sarkis but no decision has been taken on whether to accept it. Prime Minister Salim Hoss announced Wednesday after the weekly cabinet meeting. Khouri is also commander of

the Lebanese Army and cannot hold both posts under a newly promulgated defence law.

At the same meeting the cabinet approved private sector pay increases ranging from 10 to 26.5 per cent to meet rising living costs.

Opinion polls show Mrs. Thatcher far ahead of Callaghan

LONDON, April 4 (R) — Opposition leader Margaret Thatcher enters Britain's general election campaign on a tide of rising popularity, according to the latest opinion polls.

For years Mrs. Thatcher has trailed behind Prime Minister James Callaghan in popularity. The poll, in the "Daily Express," reported she was more popular than ever.

It showed 47 per cent were satisfied with her recent performance and 38 per cent dissatisfied. But a tiny majority — two per cent — still believe Callaghan would make a better prime minister.

The poll puts Mrs. Thatcher's Conservative Party 13 per cent ahead of Labor. All other recent surveys have the Conservatives in the lead. Europe's first woman prime minister in the May 3 election. Wednesday's poll helped blot out press criticism of her decision not to have a face-to-face television debate with Callaghan.

The independent "Guardian" newspaper said Mrs. Thatcher's courage seemed to have failed. "There are clearly going to be moments over her career as prime minister which will be far more testing than a television encounter with a Labor opposite number," it said.

Tuesday night she turned down the invitation to the television debate on the grounds that "we are not electing a president. We are choosing a government."

Parliamentarians were Wednesday heading back to their constituencies for the campaign.

which begins in earnest next week.

The House of Commons will not meet again until the new parliament assembles on May 9.

Both Callaghan and Mrs. Thatcher will travel Britain by jet during the campaign.

In a deliberate show of private enterprise, Mrs. Thatcher is selling tickets on her plane to journalists at 650 (\$1,300).

Polisario takes town in Sahara, Front announces

ALGIERS, April 4 (R) — Polisario Front guerrillas fighting for an independent Western Sahara have captured the town of Tifariti from Moroccan forces, a spokesman for the movement said Tuesday.

He said the small desert town near the Mauritanian border, which he alleged was an important base for Moroccan military operations in the territory, had been abandoned by Moroccan forces after Polisario guerrillas had shelled it almost daily for the past few months.

The front has already announced the "liberation" of two other desert towns to the north, Hauza and Farsya. Monday night the Algerian-backed Front said it had killed 23 Moroccan troops and wounded 20 in attacks on military outposts last week.

Spain ceded its former colony of Western Sahara to Morocco and Mauritania in 1976.



SAMPLE: A Metropolitan Edison employee takes a radiation sample at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant. Although officials said the plant is cooling down, radiation inside it is said to be intense. (AP photo)

From page one

We are hopeful and confident without belittling the size of the challenge and danger.

Q. Do you feel that the Baghdad summit decisions are enough?
A. This is what we have been able to achieve. What we need is an Arab consensus. Arab unanimity and this has been achieved.

Q. The Arab countries opposed to the peace treaty with Israel have been criticized for failing to come up with alternative proposals. What is your reply to that?

A. The main point is that we have been unable in the past to build our power enough to meet the dangers and challenges. Today, we are moving to build our force on sound basis and this is a good start. On the other hand, we were working for overall peace. There was an agreement to send a unified Arab delegation to Geneva and there was a Soviet-American agreement on a meeting in Geneva to implement Resolutions 242 and 338. The question about alternative proposals must be directed to the U.S. We say that the treaty is very far from Resolution 242 and its reference to the Palestine issue. But they (Americans) refuse to give a clear answer and refuse to commit themselves to anything they might be unable to fulfill.

They in the U.S. do not have any alternatives. In return for the little that they want us to believe has been achieved, they have given Israel assurances and guarantees of large-scale military and material support that I have come to doubt the ability of the U.S. to influence Israel in the future on the question of withdrawal.

Q. What is your position on self-rule in the West Bank and Gaza Strip?

A. Our position has been defined from the start. We have sent the U.S. a list of question but have not received convincing answers.

Q. Are there any contacts with the people of the West Bank and Gaza Strip?

A. A quite naturally. We will do everything that is humanly possible to promote the steadfastness of our people there until we restore our rights. We reject any action that might give the occupation any kind of legality.

Q. What is the state of relations with the U.S. now and have there been any American pressure on your government?

Hussein

A. Jordanian-American relations are passing through a very delicate phase never seen before. We have repeatedly heard that the administration, Congress and people will be happy if we go along with the peace initiative. And we have been made to understand that their attitude will be the opposite if we adopt a different position. We do not say that we can stand up to the U.S. and all the other powers. We know our size. But we will not forsake an inch of land, one grain of soil, regardless of the results. We live once and die once. We are faithful to the long march of our people and the interests of the future generations.

Q. Have there been any contacts between your government and Carter Administration recently?

A. Not since the visit of Mr. Brzezinski. I am scheduled to visit the U.S. in mid-May but no final date has been fixed.

Q. There have been reports that you may speak on behalf of the Palestinians in world forums. Has there been any specific agreement with the PLO on this subject?

A. There is full coordination with the PLO at the moment. But we have not discussed any steps beyond coordination and cooperation in the service of the Arab cause and the Palestinian cause in particular. We are committed to the Rabat Summit Resolutions and all other summit decisions.

Q. How do you assess the recent Jordanian-Palestinian dialogue?

A. The results were very good. We are encouraged and very hopeful.

Q. There has been a shift in power in the Middle East, especially after the Iranian events. Has Jordan been affected?

A. I have repeatedly warned that the Arab region is threatened. The Arab identity and Arab existence are in danger, but there is a great awareness of the danger and we hope that Arab gatherings will help to remove the danger and achieve positive results. We support any invitation for another Arab summit meeting. The Baghdad summit stipulated that Arab leaders meet at least once every year. We plan to continue our Arab visits and tours.

Q. Do you believe that President Sadat will get away with what he has done?

A. I have very serious doubts. The Arab Muslim people of Egypt are not less patriotic than other Arab and Muslim peoples, especially with regards to the question of Jerusalem. I cannot explain why President Sadat has acted in this manner.

Q. Do you have anything to relay to the people of the occupied territories via "Arab News"?

A. We pin great hopes on them. They have endured a great deal and we appeal to them to stand united and steadfast. We will spare no effort in supporting them. As for Arabs in the great Arab homeland we appeal to them to avoid emotional reaction and to unite and work together to achieve our honorable goals through our own power.

Sadat

peace agreement.

Commenting on the Israeli insistence that Jerusalem will remain the capital of Israel, Sadat said: "No Muslim, no Arab will ever accept Israeli sovereignty over the old city of Jerusalem, whatever Begin says."

In Washington, meanwhile, U.S. Middle East envoy Alfred Atherton said the treaty permits full attention to be directed to finding a practical solution to the Palestinian question.

The ambassador-at-large, who has played a key role in U.S. Middle East peace efforts over the last 18 months, was addressing a world

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Ministry of municipal and Rural Affairs	Fencing of graveyards under Thadeq municipality	26-97/98	500	May 26
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" "	Fencing of graveyards in Orajir, Mermiq and Al-Wadi in Hail	" "	500	May 28
" "	Fencing of graveyard in Qasr bin Shaban village, Hail	" "	100	May 29
" "	Fencing of graveyard in Dakhim Janoub Al-Sab'an village in the Central Province	" "	300	June 2
" "	Fencing of graveyard in Qahman and Hashima in Qumfuzah	" "	150	June 3
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